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## Outpouring of community support to preserve Leo's legacy of kindness

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The tribute at the entrance to Burton Valley Elementary School tells of a selfless, kind child who was a friend to everyone, and urges others to "Live Like Leo." Photo Pippa Fisher

The notes and posters left as a tribute at the entrance to Burton Valley Elementary School tell of the sweet, selfless boy who lost his life in a fatal bicycle accident July 28. A memorial foundation set up to honor his memory is growing by the day, reflecting the outpouring of love and support from the community.

Ten-year-old Leo Cellura touched everyone he met in his short life with kindness, inclusivity and empathy. Based on these principles that Leo embodied, his parents now hope to honor his memory with the Live Like Leo Memorial Foundation.

According to the fundraiser organizers, the foundation will reward young people for kindness, selflessness, and empathy rather than on their accomplishments, seeking instead "to build and support decent humans who care for others before themselves - and hopefully create whole communities of young people who live like Leo did."

At time of going to press the foundation had raised \$203,379 in just over two weeks.

Those wishing to donate in Leo's memory should go to [www.gofundme.com/f/leo-cellura-memorial-scholarship-fund](http://www.gofundme.com/f/leo-cellura-memorial-scholarship-fund)

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