



Tore Eikeland

Tore Eikeland was an example, and a hero, to many young people.

The purpose of Tore's Foundation, established in his memory, is to use the energy of Tore's life and ideas in the most positive possible way and transform his martyrdom into a force for good in the world.

Tore had just shared his ideas and excitement about Africa, which he had recently visited, with his fellow members of the Norwegian Labour Youth on the island of Utøya on 22 July 2011. Minutes later he and 68 others were shot one after the other by one man utterly possessed with hate.

A few months earlier, Tore was in London seeking funds for an anti-fascist youth conference and a new pan-European anti-fascist youth organisation, to stem the rise of fascism in France, Hungary, Sweden and elsewhere. Tore's ideas about freedom, human rights and social democracy were based on a deep understanding of global political movements. His speeches, laced with charm and good humour, were effective because they were so well-researched.

The Tore Community project takes into account many of the latest development ideas for using money at grassroots to help the poorest people, where even a little helps. But it is much more than giving aid. A Tore Community is where young people are encouraged to lift their eyes beyond the horizon to a world of opportunity. Using Tore's inspiration, they are encouraged not just economically, but also politically and culturally – and, above all. practically.

Every Tore Community has a grassroots aid project chosen by the local community, a community centre or meeting place, a school and an organic farm, all supported by the Foundation. The children of the village from a young age right up to college, are then supported online and offline through a broad liberal education including sport and music at a young age and then through learning about democracy and freedom, culture and government, as they get older, supported by the story of Tore's life and his ideas. Ultimately, we will sponsor students from the Tore Community through university as Tore Scholars.

A Tore Community is therefore a fitting memorial to Tore the visionary as well as to Tore the martyr. Tore has gone, but in each Tore Community, he will live on as an inspiration."



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“Landets beste skoledebattanter er samlet i strålende solskinn på Utøya til knalharde treningsrunder foran høstens valg. Strålende artilleri”

“The country's top school debaters are gathered in glorious sunshine at Utøya for tough training rounds before this fall's election. brilliant artillery”

@teikeland – Twitter, 16/07/2011

One of the last tweets from Tore Eikeland, gifted young Norwegian politician, activist and visionary 6 days before he was murdered during the massacre on the island of Utøya on the 22nd of July 2011, along with 68 other young Labour Party supporters.



TORE GIVING A SPEECH AT THE NORWEGIAN LABOUR PARTY CONFERENCE

"Borders in itself are a man-made construction. We are all world citizens, and regardless of borders we should familiarize and have sympathy with the people on the planet who involuntarily are born into a completely different life than us."

Tore Eikeland

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ImGdtF8T28g>

Tore was forming his ideas into political philosophy, which would surely have seen him rise to international acclaim. He had already made an impact not only in Norway but also in countries as diverse as Georgia and Uganda. An internationalist and thinker, he was also a witty and inspiring speaker.



JENS STOLTENBERG

NORWEGIAN PRIME MINISTER

Speech by Prime Minister Jens Stoltenberg to the victims of the 2011 Norway attacks.

<https://youtu.be/8oPbd9UvZuY>

At only 21 years old, Jens Stoltenberg, Norwegian Prime Minister saw it fit to single out Tore as one of the country's most talented young politicians during his memorial address at the Oslo Cathedral.

Tore believed that real development cannot be exclusively economic, but that it must also be cultural and political. Citizens cannot be passive members of society, they must be encouraged to become proactive, participating citizens, who think for themselves and question how best to improve their own society.



Tore's Foundation
Broadening horizons through liberal education



"It is in the spirit of his convictions that we endeavor to better the world. We will not forget him as we found Tore Communities where these convictions are yet to be planted."