

ABOUT US | The Cameron Boyce Foundation

Established in 2019, The Cameron Boyce Foundation (TCBF) honors the legacy of Cameron Boyce by aiming to cure epilepsy through funding research, education and awareness campaigns, while still supporting causes that were important to Cameron.

Cameron Boyce

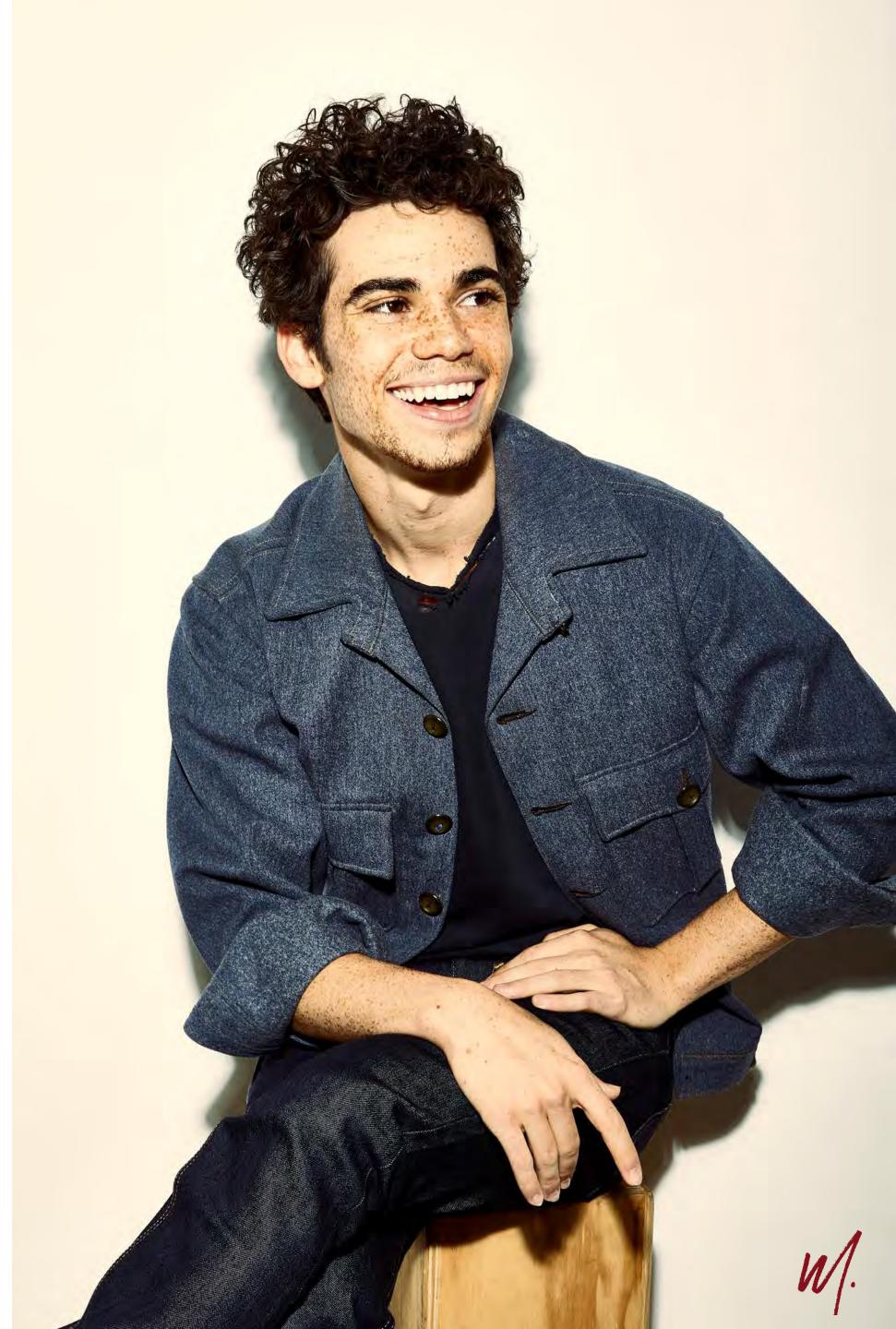
Born and raised in Los Angeles, CA, Cameron's love of performing began in a dance studio, which then transitioned him into print ads, commercials, and television and film.

At twenty years of age, Cameron had already become a veteran to show business. He starred as Luke in the Disney Channel's "Jessie" and as Carlos in the Disney Channel's "Descendants" movies. Cameron also starred alongside Kiefer Sutherland in "Mirrors," Shia LaBeouf in "Eagle Eye," and Adam Sandler in "Grown Ups"/"Grown Ups 2." Other credits include CBS' "Code Black," Disney Channel's "Gamer's Guide to Pretty Much Everything," the HBO series "Mrs. Fletcher," and leading in the indie film RUNT.

In 2017, Boyce received an Emmy Award with Disney XD for Outstanding Promotional Announcement in conjunction with his participation in their series "Timeless Heroes—Be Inspired," honoring Black History Month in which he appeared alongside his grandmother Jo Ann Boyce. Ms. Boyce was a member of the famed Clinton 12; one of 12 black teens who were first to desegregate a public high school in Clinton, TN.

Cameron was actively involved in many philanthropic efforts, including the Thirst Project; a non-profit that raises awareness of the global water crisis and provides freshwater wells in 3rd world countries. In March 2019, Cameron introduced the former Vice President and current President Joe Biden at the Biden Courage Awards, recognizing student leaders for their work to stop sexual assault in their communities.

Cameron was someone who cheered for the underdog, the less recognized unsung heroes and those with medical, psychiatric and personal struggles. He was keenly aware of the power of kindness, the blessing of family and the joy of the creative arts. He lived his life through this lens and TCBF continues in that spirit with Cameron as our leader and compass.





TCBF | 2022 Impact Report

THE CAMERON BOYCE FOUNDATION

Impact Report 2022

We all go. What you leave should be bigger than you.

—Cameror

We can't believe that The Cameron Boyce Foundation (TCBF) is three years old and are happy to report that it is thriving. The team has been hard at work and our efforts and partnerships have grown and progressed.

While the Center for Disease Control reports that 3.4 million Americans have epilepsy, and that 1 in 1,000 will die of Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy (SUDEP), TCBF and our partners believe this is a very underreported number. Since the inception of TCBF, we have met so many people in and out of our immediate circle who are impacted by this disease, yet we still hear so little about it. Any person who lives with epilepsy, lives in fear of their next seizure. It is incumbent upon those of us that can help to instill hope and support through research, information, and tools for success.

This past year has been one of continued growth and impact through research, education and support. We are into year 3 of funding research related to SUDEP through our partner CURE Epilepsy. This partnership provides TCBF with the confidence that our contributions to epilepsy research are well informed and it allows CURE to expand the number of research grants that can be awarded. TCBF has also joined the Partnership Against Mortality in Epilepsy (PAME) who works to reduce epilepsy deaths and to improve the reporting of epilepsy deaths, which would ultimately result in more federal research dollars being allocated to epilepsy.

We have also implemented the Now What Campaign and toolkit, which builds awareness for newly diagnosed epilepsy patients regarding how to take control of their medical care from day 1 and have successfully launched our Now What support group which is over 800 members strong.

We are looking forward to a year of increasing community engagement of both young people living with epilepsy in addition to Cameron's fans who have been beyond supportive. We also continue to donate to causes near and dear to Cameron around gun violence, the arts and clean water.

This upcoming May 28th, 2023, Cameron would have been 24 years old. We never want another family to go through the tragedy that we have endured. The grief is otherworldly and utterly debilitating. Yet, we soldier on along with our amazing team, our village of support and because of you, friends of TCBF and our partners. We can't thank you enough! We are excited to see what we can accomplish in the upcoming year, so stay tuned.

Love, Libby & Victor Boyce.



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Program Numbers Epilepsy

Research

\$350,000

invested in and committed to research grants for Sudden Unexpected Deaths in Epilepsy in partnership with CURE epilepsy Education & Awareness

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Causes Cameron Cared About

Thirst Project

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And three years of support for the Thirst Project to provide safe drinking water around the world

Guitars over Guns

We have committed to third year of funding at USC Hybrid High School to bring vulnerable communities a powerful combination of music education and mentorship with professional musicians to help them overcome hardship, find their voice and reach their potential as tomorrow's leaders.





What is a Level 4 Center?

A level 4 Center provides the more complex forms of intensive neurodiagnostic monitoring, as well as more extensive medical, neuropsychological, and psychosocial treatment.

Level 4 centers also offer a complete evaluation for epilepsy surgery.



Fundraising \$1.45 \rangle raised since inception

Inaugural Cam for a Cause Gala

MAY 18, 2022



- We are continually looking to fill the gap in the epilepsy community using our unique voice, community and Cameron's spirit to push the needle toward a cure for epilepsy and to make sure each individual with epilepsy feels supported and heard.
 - —Heather Kun
- Our mission is to raise awareness in such a way that empowers people with epilepsy so that they have information, so they can advocate for themselves, so they can take better care of themselves. We're dedicated to making a difference because what happened to us shouldn't have happened, and certainly going forward, we don't want it to happen to anybody else.

—Libby & Victor

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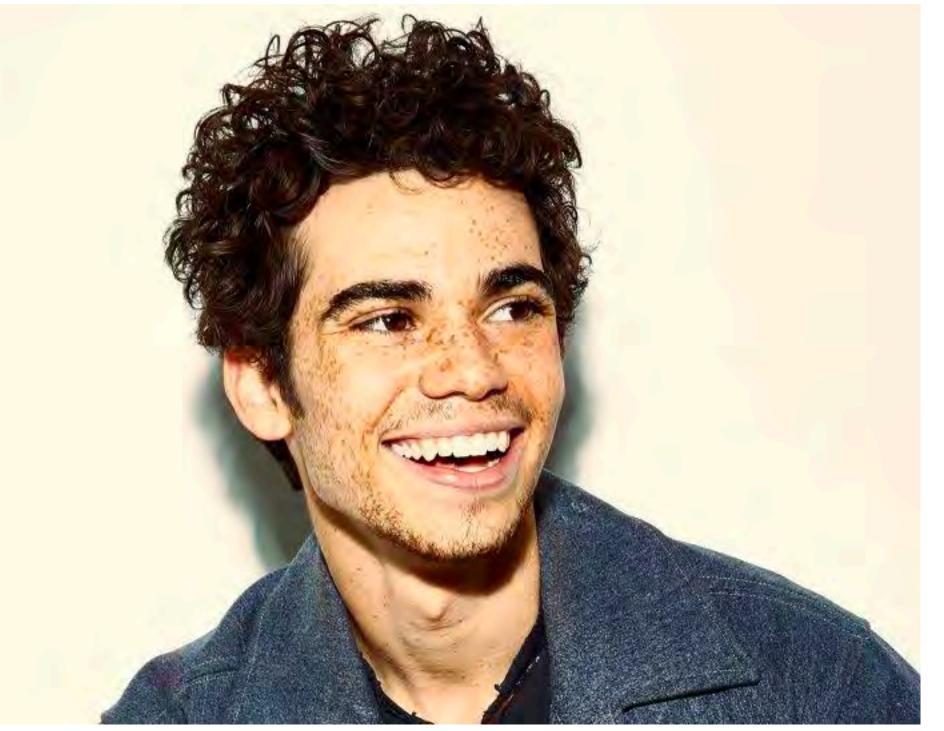
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Actor Cameron Boyce's parents turn his private battle with epilepsy into a quest for a cure

(CNN) — When 20-year-old <u>Cameron Boyce</u> died suddenly after suffering an epileptic seizure in July 2019, fans around the world mourned the loss of a gifted actor whose career was just getting started. Few people knew that behind the scenes, he was privately battling epilepsy.

Today, Cameron's parents Victor and Libby Boyce are on a mission to cure epilepsy and eliminate Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy or SUDEP, which is blamed for Cameron's death. They founded <u>The Cameron Boyce</u> Foundation shortly after as a reaction to their loss.

Speaking with CNN, Victor explained that Cameron had not suffered many seizures before the one that took his life, "he kept that to himself, and he managed that, he never let epilepsy define him."





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Cameron Boyce's Parents Keep His Memory Alive by Furthering His Causes

A year after the star died at age 20 from a seizure brought on by epilepsy, his parents continue his activism by donating a \$100,000 grant to Citizens United for Research in Epilepsy to launch the Cameron Boyce Taking Flight Award.



While accepting an award in April 2018 from the Thirst Project, a nonprofit dedicated to ending the global water crisis, Cameron Boyce, then 18, leaned on words borrowed from Denzel Washington.

"He threw out this really profound thing," Cameron said, prefacing the quote he discovered watching the Oscar winner's interviews on YouTube. "He said, 'I've never seen a U-Haul behind a hearse." Cameron then put his spin on it, adding, "We all go. I hope that all of you really think about what it is that you want to leave. What you leave should be bigger than you."



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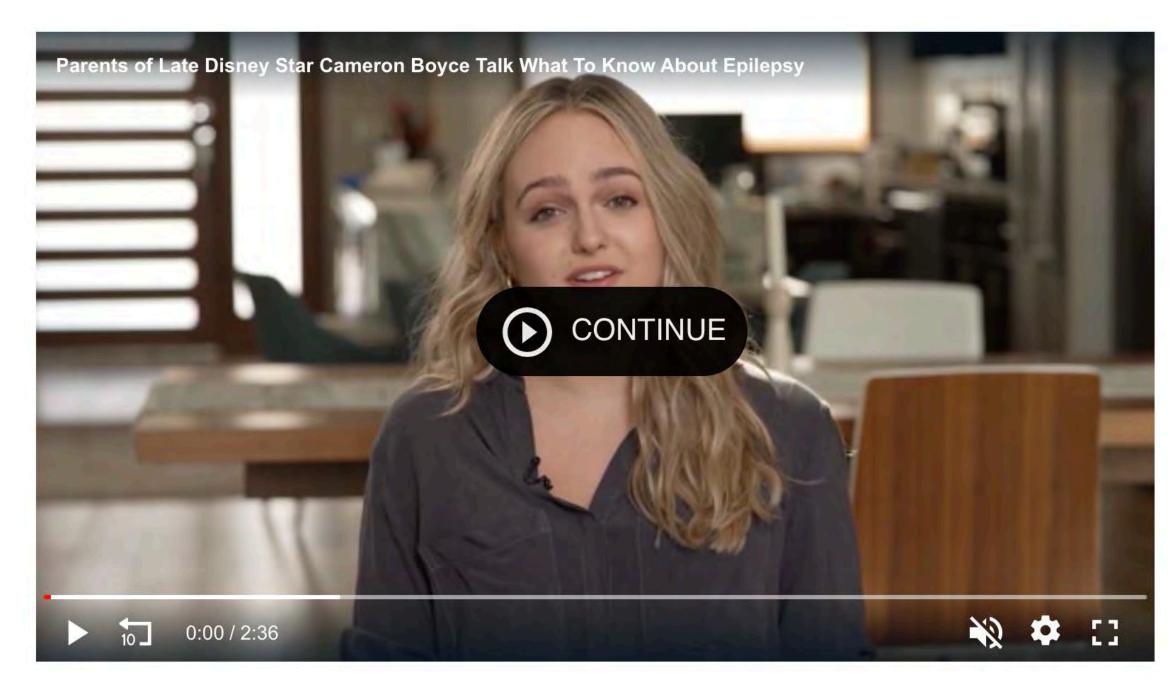
Parents of Late Disney Star Cameron Boyce Are on a Mission to End Epilepsy

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escribed as "sunshine in shoes," <u>Disney</u> star Cameron Boyce's life came to a sudden end in 2019 and his parents want to make sure it does not happen to anyone else.

The 20-year-old who starred in <u>Disney Channel</u> shows such as, *Descendants* and *Jessie*, <u>died in his sleep</u> from an epileptic seizure known as <u>SUDEP</u> (<u>Sudden</u> <u>Unexpected Death in Epilepsy</u>).

It's called this because it tends to happen in a person who was otherwise considered healthy, as was the case for Boyce, who according to his dad Victor, "never let his epilepsy affect his life," especially his singing and acting career as he prepared for his ascent in Hollywood.





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The Cameron Boyce Foundation Shares Their Outlook for Future Epilepsy and **SUDEP Awareness**





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Maya Boyce on College, Charity, and Keeping Cameron's Legacy Alive

BY CAITLIN WOLPER

PHOTOGRAPHY BY DREW ESCRIVA

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Charity runs in Maya Boyce's family. You might go so far as to say it's in her blood: Her mother, Libby, works with Los Angeles's homeless community; her paternal grandmother was a civil rights activist; and her brother, the late actor Cameron Boyce, was deeply involved with a number of causes, including gun violence prevention. "My parents taught me to be giving," Maya tells *Teen Vogue*, "recognizing our privilege and using it for good."

Those efforts started from an early age. When she was a child, Maya recalls, she visited some of the shelters where her mother worked. "They'll have holiday parties, and we used to go and hang out with the kids," she says. "And I was their age, so we would just all play together. And my brother would take pictures."

That upbringing may be where Maya got her quiet ferocity. At 19, she is a freshman in college, studying theater in Boston. But as she navigates the uneasy waters of early adulthood, she's fighting for so much outside of herself too.











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Libby And Victor Boyce Reflect On Three Years Of The Cameron Boyce Foundation

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July 15 marks three years for <u>The Cameron Boyce Foundation</u>, which Victor and Libby Boyce launched within nine days of the passing of their son, actor Cameron Boyce. Particularly known for his work with Disney, Cameron was also a passionate philanthropist already at just 20 years old and supported causes like the global water crisis and ending gun violence. As the organization hits its three-year anniversary, Victor and Libby opened up about continuing their son's legacy, destignatizing epilepsy and the future of the foundation.

On May 18, you held The Cameron Boyce Foundation's first annual gala. How did it feel to have such a special evening celebrating Cameron and the foundation?

Victor Boyce: The gala was delayed for two years, mostly because of COVID, which actually in hindsight turned out to be a good thing because we were much more ready to do an event that we thought was worth what we're trying to achieve. And it was a phenomenal success in the sense that it was our very first one, it was extremely well attended, it looked beautiful.



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Late Disney Star Cameron Boyce's Parents Raise Awareness with Epilepsy PSA: 'Our Sunshine'

The 20-year-old died in July after suffering a seizure in his sleep due to epilepsy

By Aurelie Corinthios Published on November 13, 2019 11:31 AM



<u>Cameron Boyce</u>'s loved ones are on a mission to make sure the late actor' legacy lives on — and saves lives.

Four months after the <u>Descendants</u> star <u>died</u> suddenly at age 20 in his home after <u>suffering</u> a <u>seizure</u> in his sleep due to epilepsy, the Cameron Boyce Foundation launched in his honor by his parents has teamed up with <u>the Epilepsy Foundation's SUDEP</u> (<u>Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy</u>) <u>Institute</u> to raise awareness about the disease.

In a powerful new PSA, Cameron's parents Libby and Victor Boyce, along with other family and friends, come together to shine a light on epilepsy and the risks of SUDEP.

"Cameron Boyce, our son, my best friend, the best thing that ever happened to me, our sunshine," they tell the camera. "We had no idea SUDEP could take Cameron from us."





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Dove Cameron Teams Up with Cameron Boyce Foundation for Campaign on Late Actor's 21st Birthday

Cameron Boyce died suddenly on July 6 after suffering a seizure in his sleep



<u>Cameron Boyce</u>'s friends and family are honoring the late actor on what would have been his 21st birthday in the best way they know how — by giving back.

Boyce, who <u>died in July 2019</u>, would have turned 21 on Thursday. To pay homage to Boyce's legacy on the milestone date, the <u>Cameron Boyce</u>

<u>Foundation</u> has teamed up with his former <u>Descendants</u> costar <u>Dove</u>

<u>Cameron</u> to launch a new T-shirt campaign for the actor's anti-gun violence initiative, Wielding Peace.

The limited-edition <u>Dove x Wielding Peace collection</u> features t-shirts embroidered with Cameron's tattoo, a gun with flowers coming out of the barrel, <u>which she got in honor of Boyce's Wielding Peace campaign earlier this year.</u>

"Cameron was a light," the actress tells PEOPLE. "Every year on his birthday he did something to give back, and this year, The Cameron Boyce Foundation is honoring his legacy by continuing that tradition on what would have been his 21st birthday. I could not be more proud to support this cause for my friend, whom I miss every day. I got my tattoo in his honor, and as such The Cameron Boyce Foundation has asked to feature the design on these special limited edition T-shirts."



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Sofia Carson Honors Cameron Boyce with New Clothing Designs to Support Late Actor's Foundation

Sofia Carson partnered with The Cameron Boyce Foundation for the annual charity event in honor of the late star's birthday

Actress Sofia Carson is honoring her late friend and co-star Cameron Boyce's birthday in a very special way.

The 28-year-old *Descendants* star partnered with <u>The Cameron Boyce</u>

<u>Foundation</u> for its annual charity event remembering Boyce's birthday, May 28, after the Disney actor <u>died</u> after <u>suffering a seizure</u> in his sleep due to epilepsy in July 2019. The foundation is run by the actor's parents, <u>Victor and Libby Boyce</u>, to find a cure for epilepsy and to honor their son's legacy and philanthropic spirit.

Doing just that, Carson, who's on the advisory board for the foundation, designed a limited-edition jean jacket (\$79.99; represent.com) for the campaign, along with T-shirts (\$25.99; represent.com) and hoodies (\$45.99; represent.com). Net proceeds go directly to funding epilepsy research and ending SUDEP (Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy).



"It says 'We can change the world' in red," Carson told *PEOPLE* (the TV Show!), noting the inspiration comes from Boyce's character Carlos in *Descendants*. "I chose the color red because it was Carlos' color and the back of the jacket is this beautiful art piece that Cam drew himself because he was more talented than anyone that I've ever known."



Cameron Boyce's Parents Open Up About "Finding Meaning" in His Death Through Their Foundation

Cameron Boyce's parents, Libby and Victor, discuss how their work on the foundation helped them to find purpose after his death from epilepsy

A year has passed since Cameron Boyce tragically died in June 2019, and his parents say there's "not a painless day that goes by."

But Libby and Victor Boyce tell E! News that they have managed to "find meaning" in the loss of their son, who found fame on the Disney Channel. Since his sudden death from epilepsy last year, the duo has worked tirelessly to get the Cameron Boyce Foundation up and running, as they believe Cameron would've wanted them to.

According to the organization's website, they strive to cure epilepsy and SUDEP, the condition that caused Cameron's death; eradicate gun violence; and positively contribute to causes that were near and dear to the 20-year-old's heart.

With their first year without Cameron behind them, the parents tell E! News they're looking ahead to the future with a strengthened sense of purpose. To learn of what they had to say of their plans for the foundation and how they're feeling, read the Q&A below.

E!: The one year anniversary of the foundation is coming up and people may not know about all of the work that you've done in the past year. Can you tell us what the foundation is, what you've been able to accomplish, as well as what you're hoping to do as you look on this anniversary?

VB: Well, the foundation started very quickly after Cameron passed. It was really, honestly, a reaction to a devastating loss; to do something, or to carry on what he was going to do. It was something that we felt was necessary and we thought Cameron would want us to do, and also something to give us purpose and try and find meaning in his loss, because it was just so horrible and really horrible to this day. It kind of gives us purpose and we want to help other families and other people and just be positive. You know, our son is all about positivity and charity, and he was never one to be selfish. And, it's funny because I am nothing like that, like Cameron. So, I'm not sure where he got that from, but it's been cathartic for me to try and to be a better person and try to fill his shoes, which I can never do, but, you know, that was the initial idea.



Cameron Boyce's parents raise awareness about epilepsy with new PSA

Fans were stunned when they found out Cameron Boyce died from a seizure.

By Angeline Jane Bernabe, Cameron Harrison, and Jennifer Harrison via GMA

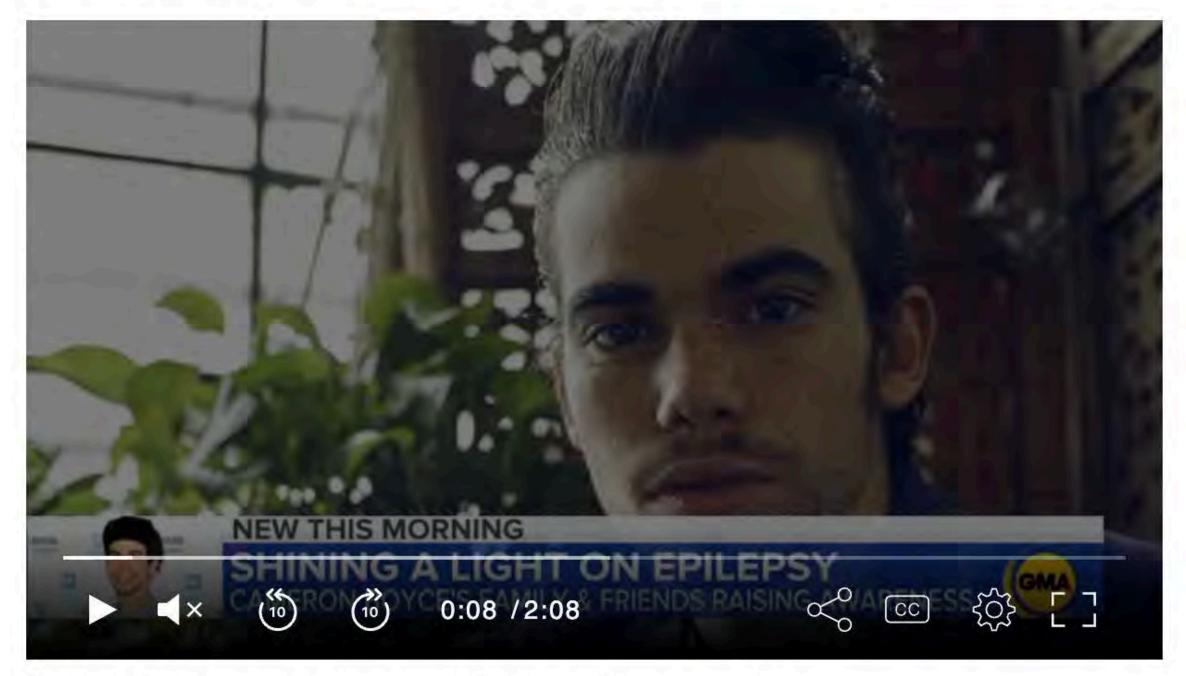








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Cameron Boyce's parents raise awareness about epilepsy in new PSA

The late actor's parents are turning grief into action and are hoping to prevent more tragedies.

When 20-year-old Disney Channel star <u>Cameron Boyce</u> died unexpectedly in early July, fans were stunned to learn it was from having a seizure in his sleep.

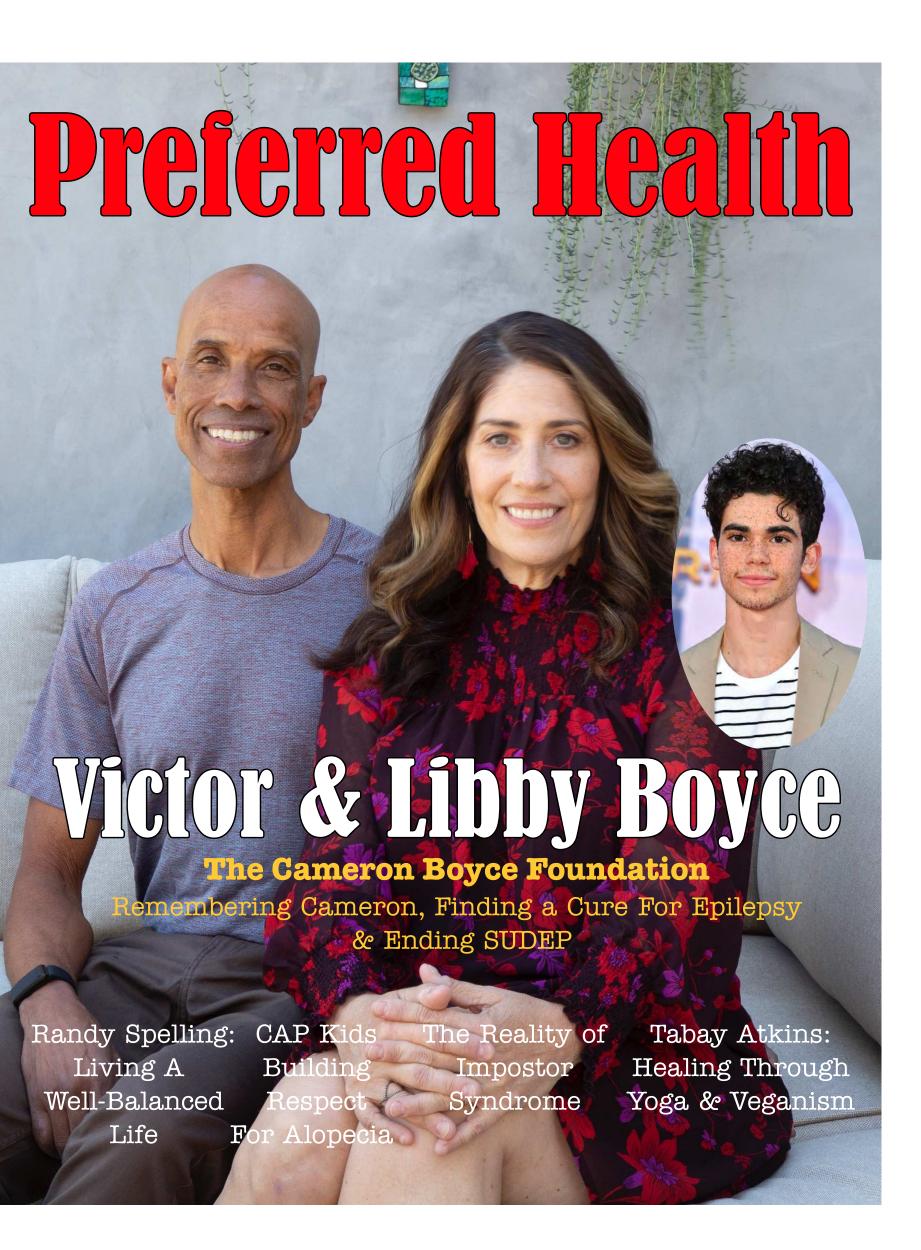
Just four months after his death, his family and friends are coming together for a PSA to shine a light on the condition.

"We don't want anybody to lose their child to anything," <u>Cameron</u>

<u>Boyce's father</u>, Victor told "Good Morning America." "Cause this feeling is just the worst. And, you know, no parent should have to go through this."







The Cameron Boyce Foundation

Finding a Cure for Epilepsy & Ending SUDEP

By Angelina Cappiello

November is Epilepsy awareness month, and we found it befitting to bring awareness by sharing the story of Cameron Boyce and

The Cameron Boyce Foundation. The charitable organization was founded in 2019 by the parents of the late actor of the same name - who starred in roles on Disney Channel's "Descendants," "Jesse," and the comedic Adam Sandler film, "Grown Ups."

Libby & Victor Boyce spoke to Preferred Health Magazine about their beloved son, Cameron and the foundation's mission to bring Epilepsy out of the shadows, and raise awareness and research dollars in hopes of putting an end to a disease that is hardly spoken about in mainstream media.

In 2019, Cameron passed away from an epileptic seizure while he slept. It was his 5th seizure that took his life. He was 20 years old. The phenomenon known as SUDEP (Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy), a not-so-rare occurrence for those diagnosed with Epilepsy, was the cause.

According to the CDC, approximately 3.4 million people are diagnosed with Epilepsy nationwide. Studies suggest each year; there are approximately 1.16 cases of SUDEP for every 1,000 people with Epilepsy.

"Our son's passing blindsided us," said Victor Boyce, who explained how he and his wife reviewed the coroner's report, reading "SUDEP" as the cause of death - something they knew nothing about, adding further confusion to an already heartbreaking situation.

Cameron was 16 when he experienced his first seizure. He was officially diagnosed with Epilepsy at the age of 17 after suffering his 2nd seizure.

"Our original experience with the healthcare system was that this wasn't a big deal," Victor said. "We were lulled into thinking this wasn't a big deal since Cameron hadn't had a seizure in over a year. After he had his second one, we realized this is a major issue."



Cameron Boyce and sister, Maya



Photo/Disney

Even after treatment, Victor explained, he and his wife, Libby, weren't given the proper tools to deal with the disease.

"There were a lot of things left out and missed as far as handling his condition and dealing with it pro-actively,"

Victor said. "We thought because he had seizures in his sleep that it was better because he wasn't driving or swimming. It turns out to be the opposite. It's a huge red flag."

The Cameron Boyce Foundation, however, is not missing any warning signs in providing important details to those looking for answers. "When we started the foundation, our goal was to change that narrative, to arm people with information and give them all the necessary tools we didn't have at first." That critical information includes which healthcare providers to seek, like an Epileptologist (a neurologist specializing in Epilepsy), and the proper places to go, like a level four hospital.

Further upsetting proper treatment plans for some epileptic patients is the infrequencies of seizures. "Because Cameron had so few seizures, it was hard to know if he was on the right medicine or the wrong medicine," explained Cameron's mother, Libby Boyce. Although having more frequent seizures is frightful, doctors would be more able to determine what treatments work best from a healthcare perspective.

"There are a lot of moving parts to epilepsy," Libby said. "People who have seizures here and there, especially, aren't on alert and aren't thinking of it as a potentially fatal issue."

Since the foundation's inception, TCBF has raised more than \$1 million, contributing to Epilepsy, inner city arts programs, and an annual contribution to building clean water wells. In addition, TCBF made a \$250,000 grant to CURE Epilepsy earlier this year. The largest grant to date for TCBF was very exciting for the foundation and an opportunity to make further strides towards ending SUDEP.

TCBF's Now What?! Campaign also addresses the next steps for those diagnosed with Epilepsy, what to do, information about level 4 epilepsy treatment centers, and the differences between neurologists and epileptologists. Also, providing a support group for those dealing with Epilepsy and encouraging people to share their stories of Epilepsy on social media using #epilepsystrong. The foundation then shares those stories on its official Instagram to provide a face for Epilepsy, destignatize the disease, and empower those facing it.

"Epilepsy has this stigma," Victor sald. "One that we don't want to have anymore. It's not spoken about like Cancer, Parkinson's Disease, or MS (Multiple Sclerosis). I think people are scared of it. It's got a taboo kind of thing."

SUDEP is also often under-reported because seizures may cause someone to drown, fall and hit their head, or die in an automobile accident –



oto By Larry Hirshowi

masking the real cause of death. "We need to shed light on epilepsy, research dollars, and brilliant scientists," Victor added. "That impacts the amount of money we get for research," said Libby.

According to a 2022 research report at <u>Neurology International</u>, "most, but not all, cases of SUDEP occur during or immediately after a seizure. The exact cause is unknown, but possible factors include pauses in breathing (apnea). If these pauses last too long, they can reduce the oxygen in the blood to a life-threatening level. In addition, during a convulsive seizure, a person's airway may sometimes get covered or obstructed, leading to suffocation. A seizure may also cause dangerous heart rhythms or cardiac arrest. SUDEP may also result from more than one cause or a combination involving breathing difficulty and abnormal heart rhythm.

Therefore, The Cameron Boyce Foundation is putting contributions to good use in finding new and progressive scientists to help find the cure. "Every year, we're going to look for somebody new, someone progressive, and someone who's on the leading edge," Victor said. "There's a lot of 'old-school' doctors who are out of touch with new technology. We need the fresh blood to really make an impact."

Recalling their last moments spent with Cameron, the couple remembered enjoying a rare family dinner out.

"The night he died, we had dinner as a family, which was rare because Cameron had been working so much," Libby said. While the family enjoyed their dinner, there were no tell-tale signs of what would come later that evening.

"I recall my son putting his arms around his sister and me as we walked into the restaurant. And of course, saying I love you before getting out of the car and getting dropped off at his home," she said. While the pain of losing their child is still evident, the two remembered Cameron as a bright light in their lives. "There's nobody quite like him; he was truly a special human," Libby said. "He started that way and ended that way."

To learn more about Epilepsy, SUDEP, and the tools needed to help you or your family member diagnosed with this chronic disease, please visit: www.thecameronboycefoundation.org.









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SPOTLIGHT: MEET THE CAMERON BOYCE FOUNDATION'S LIBBY BOYCE

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By Nina Harada

When Libby and Victor Boyce lost their son, actor, dancer and philanthropist Cameron Boyce to SUDEP (Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy Patients), they knew they had to honor their son's legacy and raise awareness around the disease that took his life. In 2019, soon after Cameron's passing, they started The Cameron Boyce Foundation. We recently spoke with Libby Boyce for National Epilepsy Awareness Month, which the Epilepsy Foundation has recognized since 1969. She shared with us misconceptions around the disease, advice for families dealing with epilepsy and how to spread awareness for epilepsy.

You recently celebrated three years of The Cameron Boyce Foundation. For those unfamiliar, can you talk about the foundation and its mission?

Late Actor Cameron Boyce's Legacy: Shining Needed Light on Epilepsy

Libby and Victor Boyce didn't expect to wake one morning to their otherwise healthy son, Cameron, having a seizure.

They didn't expect Cameron to receive an epilepsy diagnosis and experience several more seizures all within the span of three years—the final proving fatal.

But that's what happened.

Cameron Boyce—actor, dancer, and singer of Disney Channel fame—was a talented and lively artist as well as a humanitarian.

His parents describe him as a special person, an "old soul" who made an impression on the people he met.

"He's the kind of kid that—even though he was dealing with his own thing—he would go to children's hospital and visit every kid on the ward and would not leave until he saw every single person," says Victor Boyce. "He would literally give you the shirt off of his back. I've seen him do it."







Brain&Life

thecameronboycefoundation In honor of Epilepsy Awareness Month TCBF is launching the Now What? campaign to help those newly diagnosed with epilepsy to take control of their health, and figure out, NOW WHAT!?

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BY STEDUANIE SDECHT

Cameron Boyce Foundation Launches New Epilepsy Initiative

The Now What campaign provides fact sheets, emotional support, and more.

In July 2019, 20-year-old Cameron Boyce, an actor known for his roles in the Disney Channel's *Descendants* films and the TV show *Jessie*, died from sudden unexpected death in epilepsy (SUDEP). The actor's parents, Libby and Victor Boyce, were devastated—and dumbfounded. They had never heard of SUDEP. "When Cameron was first diagnosed with epilepsy [at age 17], we had very basic knowledge, which wasn't enough," says Victor.

Today, the Boyces know far more about SUDEP, a rare complication of the disorder—one in 1,000 people with epilepsy die from SUDEP every year, according to statistics from the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The term describes the death within minutes of an

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Victor Boyce On Conquering Grief With Cycling, And Bringing Epilepsy From The Shadows With The Cameron Boyce Foundation

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Victor Boyce faced unthinkable tragedy with the loss of his son, the late actor, Cameron Boyce. With a fanbase in the millions, Cameron had touched the lives of countless individuals with his craft. Beyond his work as an actor he was kind, and above all else, devoted to helping others in need. Sadly, on July 6th, 2019, at the young age of 20, Cameron lost his life to a seizure as a result of SUDEP. Victor and his wife, Libby Boyce, knew that despite their grief they had to carry on their son's philanthropic legacy. They created <u>The Cameron Boyce Foundation</u> as a way to educate others about Epilepsy, and to raise research dollars to put an end to the disease. We spoke with Victor about how he found strength amidst heartbreak, and how cycling has become a vital outlet for his mental health.

Your son, Cameron Boyce, was a tremendous light, who left such an incredible legacy behind. For our readers who may not be familiar with his work, how would you describe Cameron? Why do you think his legacy is continuing to touch and inspire so many people?

My son was born with a magnetism that is hard to put words to. He exuded joy and he made everyone around him feel seen and comfortable. He had many talents. He could dance, sing, play sports, do martial arts, all at a high level but he was never bragged about any of it. He was humble and kind and selfless. He always gave his time generously; to sick children in the hospital, to the homeless, to people experiencing a lack of clean drinking water. He was not perfect, but he was very close to it. His legacy will live on forever.

Dealing with the loss of a loved one is not just emotionally traumatic, but can also have a detrimental effect on one's mental health... would you credit cycling as a big part of your healing process?

Cycling for sure has played a huge role in my mental health. It's physical but also social. I'm very fortunate to have a supportive group of men that I ride with regularly. We discuss bikes and cycling of course, but we also share our family triumphs and tragedies. It's basically a rolling support group of like-minded people.





In Honor Of Epilepsy Awareness Month: Meet Libby Boyce, Founder Of The Cameron Boyce Foundation

by Jana Roos

ovember is Epilepsy Awareness Month. After experiencing the tragic loss of her son, Cameron Boyce, Libby Boyce found her strength and is committed to raising awareness about epilepsy. To prevent others from losing a loved one due to lack of information, she founded **The Cameron Boyce Foundation**. TCBF has made it their mission to provide information about the disease while additionally working to raise research dollars to put an end to SUDEP.

Cameron Boyce was one of 3.4 million people in the United States living with epilepsy. The late Disney actor made headlines in July of 2019 when he passed from a seizure in his sleep due to SUDEP (Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy Patients). Before that he only had 4 other seizures in his lifetime. Neither he nor his family had ever heard about SUDEP prior, like many people living with epilepsy today.

Please share with our audience what The Cameron Boyce Foundation is and why you created it.

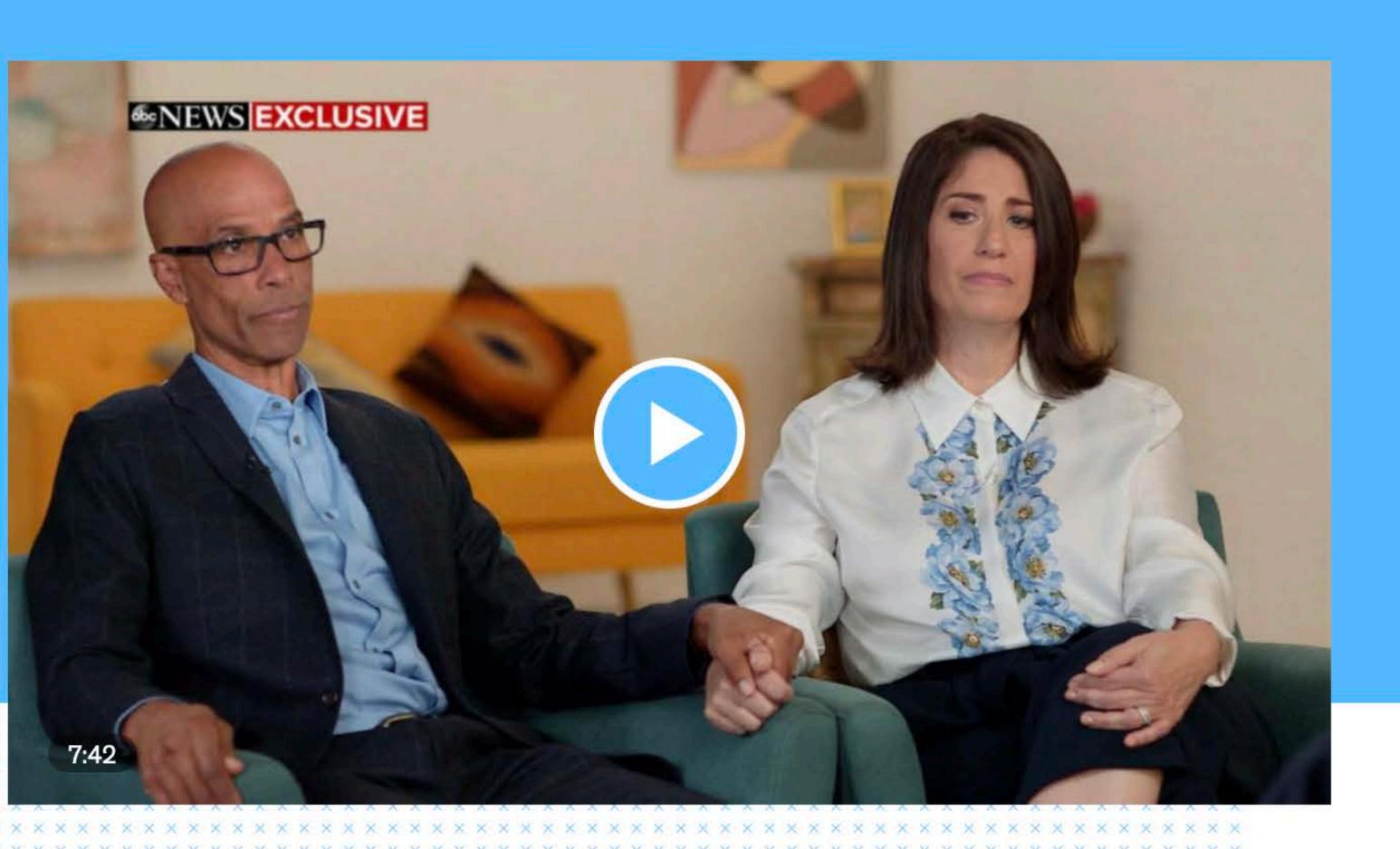
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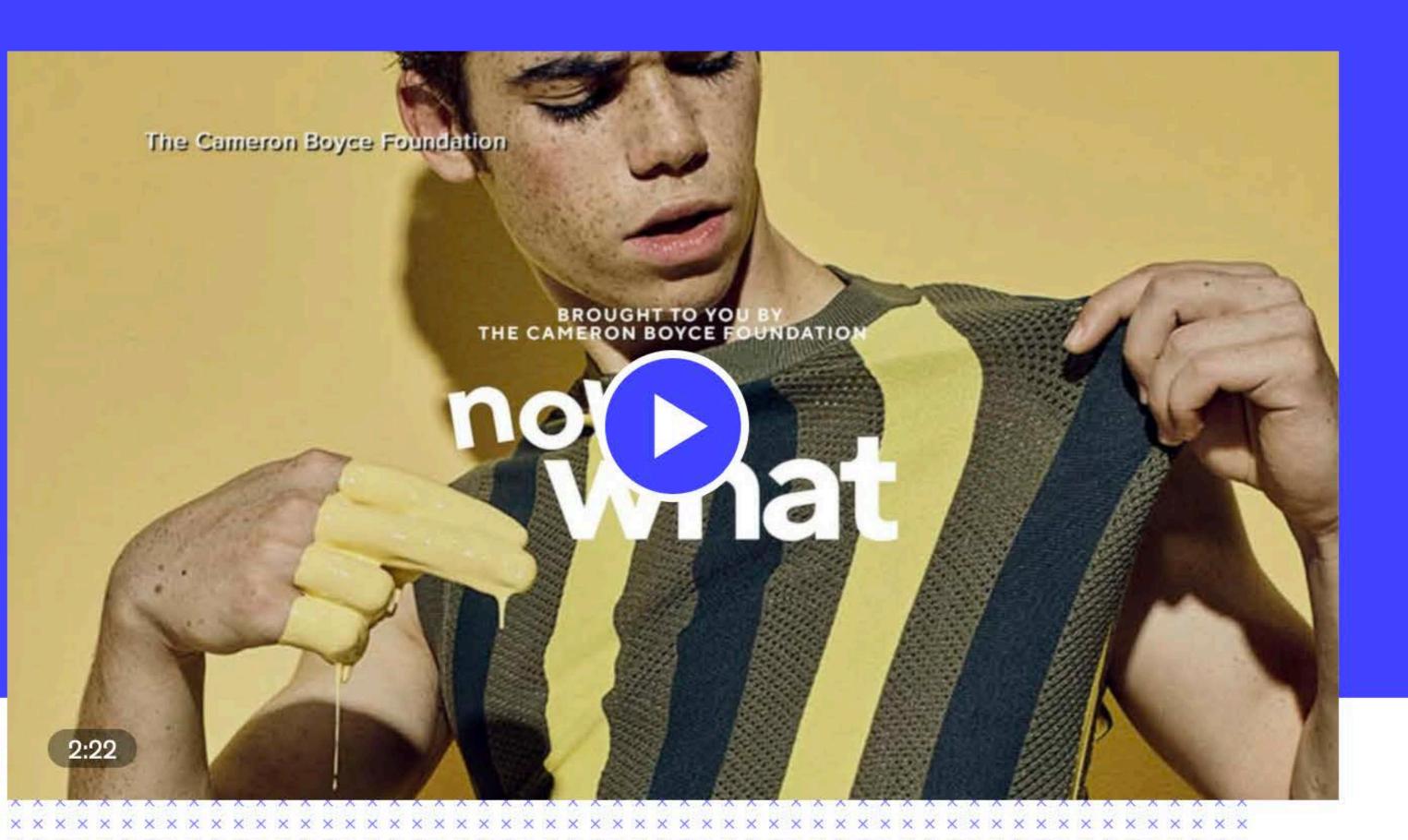








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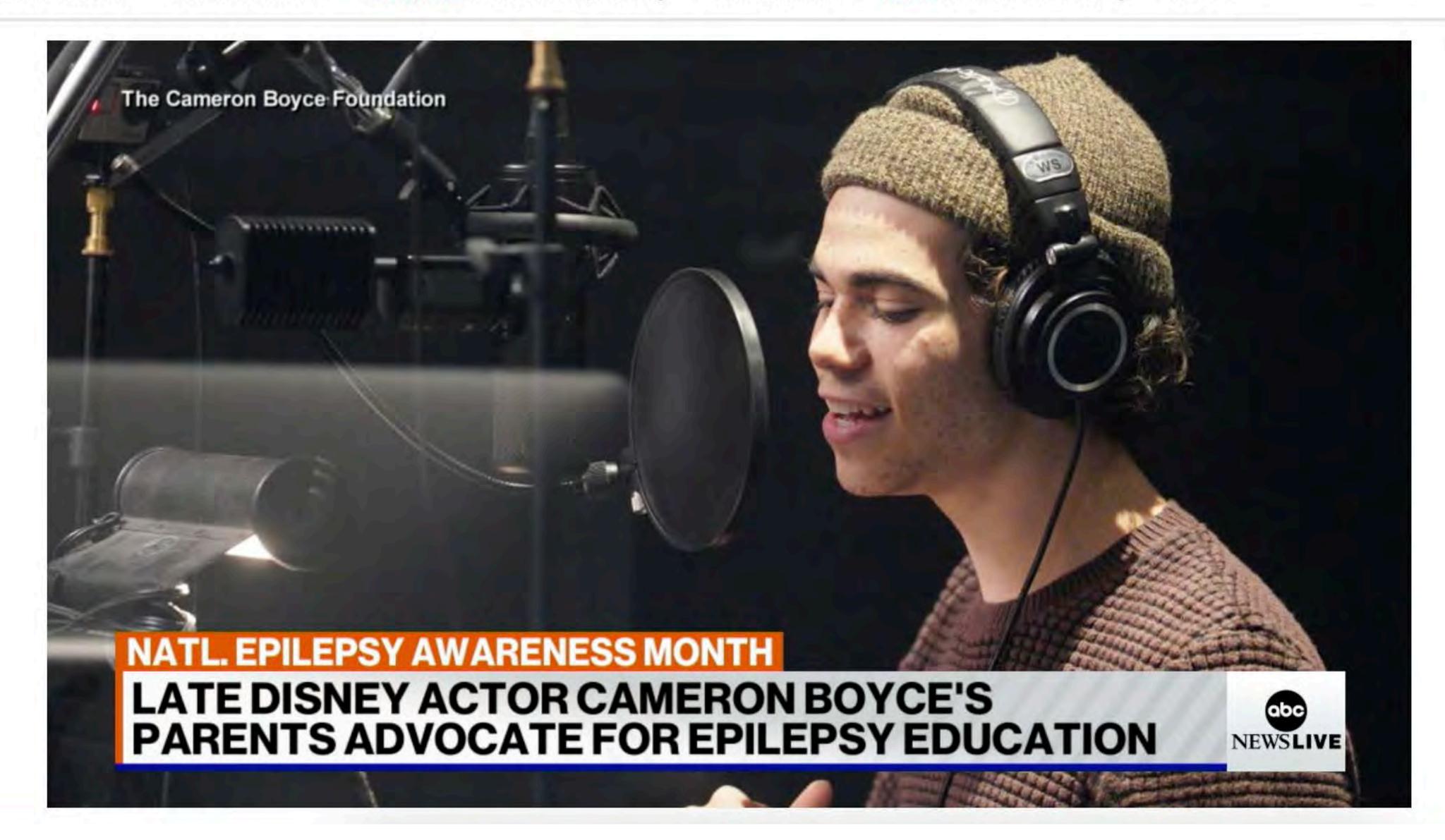
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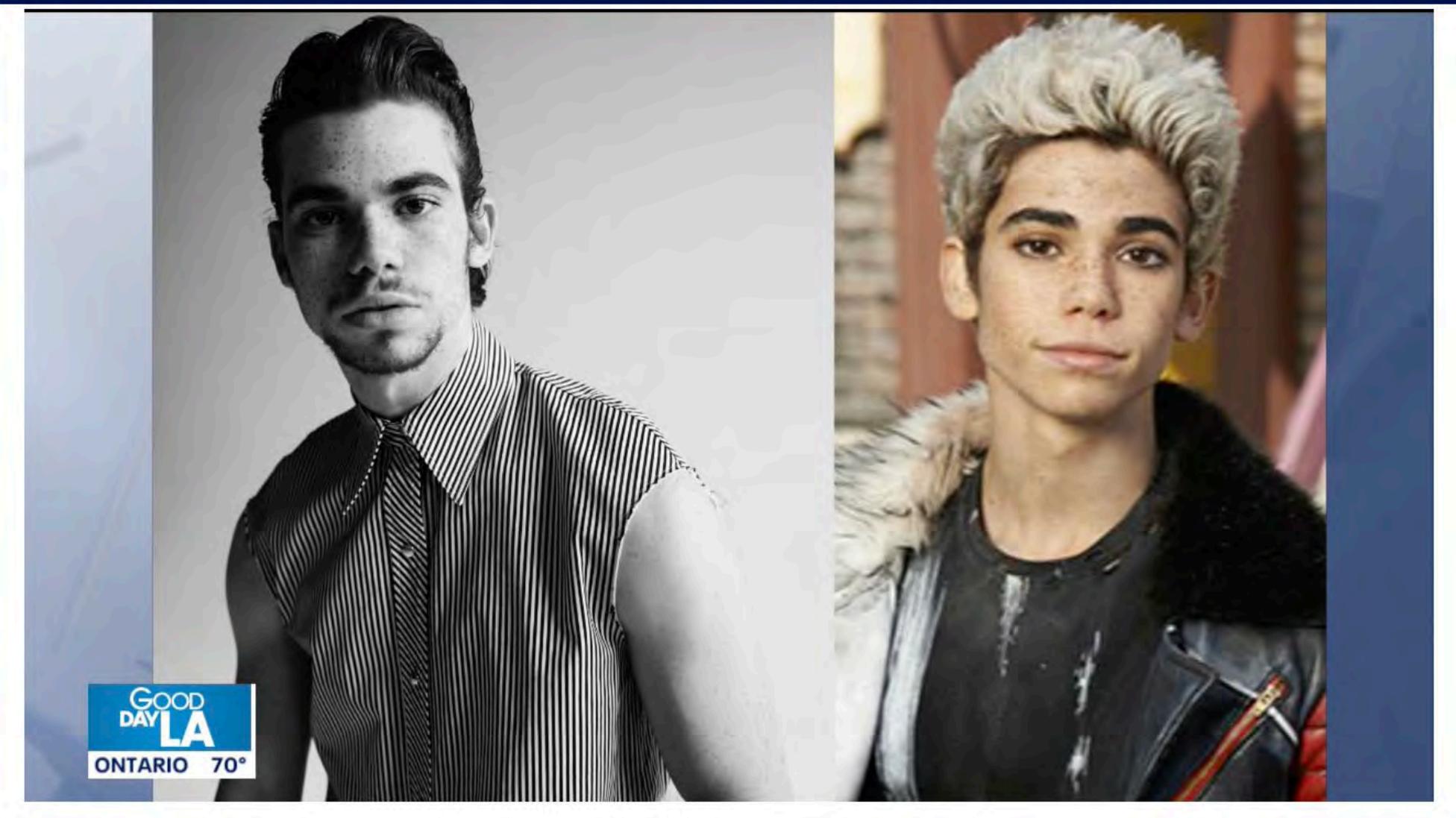




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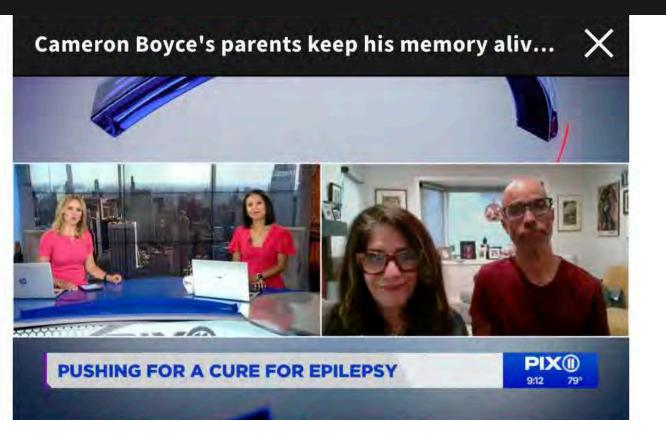
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The parents of Disney star Cameron Boyce honor his memory and spread awareness about epilepsy. Their son died after having a seizure while sleeping.

For more info, go to TheCameronBoyceFoundation.org and KnowSudepNow.org.







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Cameron Boyce's parents, Libby and Victor Boyce, share how they're working to find the cure for epilepsy

by: <u>Kimberly Cain</u>, <u>Sam Rubin</u> Posted: May 27, 2021 / 10:38 AM PDT Updated: May 27, 2021 / 11:55 AM PDT



Cameron Boyce's final show, "Paradise City," is now streaming on Amazon Prime.

To learn more about his parents' search for a cure for epilepsy, go to the Cameronboycefoundation.org. All of the profits will go to epilepsy research.

This segment aired on the KTLA 5 Morning News on May 27, 2021.





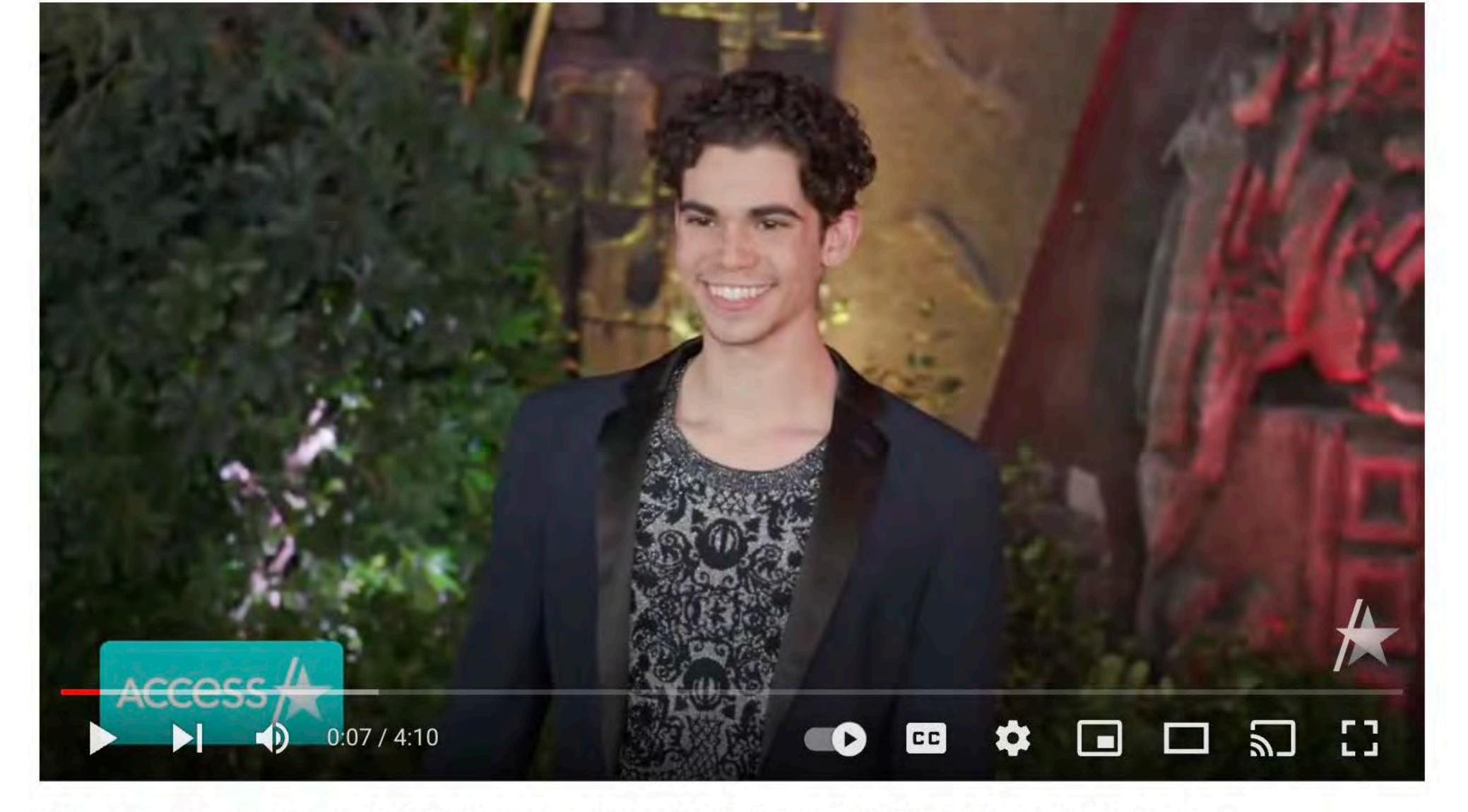
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Cameron Boyce Foundation to Hold First Gala Ahead of Late Actor's Birthday: 'He Would Be Proud'

The Cam for a Cause Gala is being held on May 18 to help raise awareness and find a cure for epilepsy and SUDEP, which tragically caused the young actor's death in July 2019

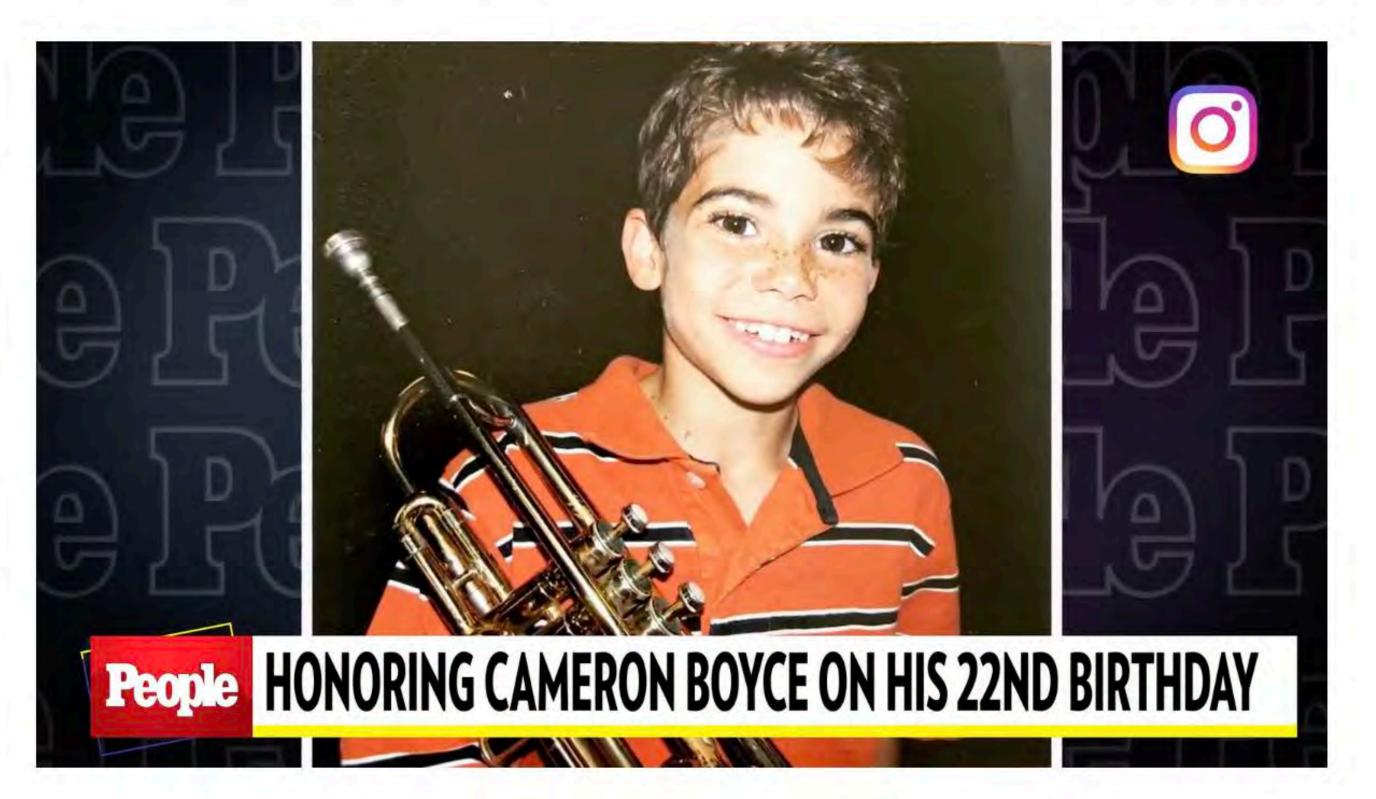
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Cameron Boyce's loved ones are continuing to keep his legacy alive close to three years after his unexpected death.

On May 18, just ten days before Cameron would've turned 23, The Cameron Boyce Foundation (TCBF) will be hosting its first-ever inaugural fundraising gala, PEOPLE can exclusively confirm.

The event — aptly titled Cam For A Cause: A Fundraiser for The Cameron Boyce Foundation To End Epilepsy — will be held in an effort to raise money and awareness for epilepsy and SUDEP (Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy), which tragically caused the young actor's death in July 2019.

"We've made great strides with the foundation as far as getting connected and being impactful and doing grants, but we've never been able to do an in-person event because COVID has hammered us since the beginning," Cameron's father, Victor Boyce, tells PEOPLE. "We're really excited about this opportunity to really show what we're doing and to share our stories and help us move forward in our battle against epilepsy."

"Cameron would've been 23 years old this year. Just thinking about that breaks my heart, every minute of every day," he adds. "But, every year on his birthday, he didn't want presents. He wanted to give back and he



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