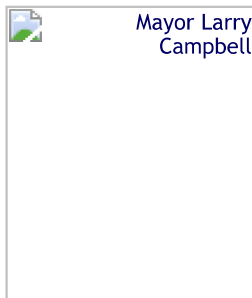




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Biographical info

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Larry Campbell was born and raised in Brantford, Ontario, in 1948. In his early years he worked as a steelworker in Hamilton. After moving to Vancouver in 1969, Larry Campbell worked for the RCMP, becoming a member of the Drug Squad in 1973. He changed careers in 1981 and established the first Vancouver District Coroner's office. In 1996, Larry was appointed BC Chief Coroner, at a time when drug overdose deaths in the province skyrocketed to as high as 400 deaths per year.

Larry advocated publicly for drug use to be considered a health issue and was instrumental in bringing the issue to national attention, leading to the development of the Four-Pillar Approach to Vancouver's drug crisis - enforcement, treatment, prevention and harm reduction. Larry retired as BC Chief Coroner in 2000, but continued to advocate on behalf of the thousands of people suffering from drug-related harm.

Larry worked as a private consultant, and provided forensic services for both industry and government. As well, Larry was a script writer for the Gemini award-winning television series *Da Vinci's Inquest*, which chronicles the life of a Vancouver coroner.

Larry has a degree in public administration and a Masters of Business Administration. He and his family live in Point Grey.

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