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Life Biography of Angela Reid



Since she was a child, Angela Reid felt destined to make a difference in people's lives and have a positive impact on the world. Born in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, she moved to Alberta at the age of two.

Her parents and three siblings traveled frequently between the City to their acreage, clearing the land by hand to build a home. Angela's mother would walk with her through the open fields and forests, teaching her the names of the plants, trees, birds and other wildlife. Recent studies now show that children, who can identify ten or more species when they are young, are more likely to care about the natural world as adults.

Angela moved to Kelowna, British Columbia after her 12th birthday. At the ages of 14 and 15, she traveled with a youth group to the slums of Mexico to build houses for impoverished families, which had a significant impact on her impressionable young mind. The desire to find

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ways to help people in developing countries started growing at this time.

In high school, Angela developed a love for theatre, and went on to act and sing in many community musical productions, eventually sitting on the Board for Theatre Kelowna Society and co-producing several shows during her early twenties.

Following high school, at 18 years of age, Angela was hired by the City of Kelowna to work as the Grants Coordinator for the Mission Creek Greenway project, the largest community fundraiser the City had ever seen. After working with a team to raise over one million dollars to build the City's first linear Greenway, three of the group, led by Mary Krupa, built Morningstar Enterprises, now one of Canada's leading environmental and social marketing firms.

Through her work on the Mission Creek Greenway project, and with the founding of the Return of the Peregrine Falcon Society and several other environmentally focused projects with Morningstar Enterprises, Angela did a significant amount of research into the relationship between man and the planet. She also sat on the Board and volunteered for HOSOTO House Society, an organization working to house and train homeless people. It was during these years that her real passion for changing the world developed, and she decided that this would be done through becoming a leader in business, politics and music. From this point on, every major decision and opportunity would be consciously and intuitively made in order to help her achieve this vision.

Angela left Morningstar after four years to continue building her experience in business and leadership, and in 2001 joined an international company specializing in wastewater infrastructure performance monitoring. She told her new employer during the first job interview that within five years of being hired, she would leave to start her own company. Angela went on to move up the ranks, eventually becoming the Assistant Manager of Sales, living and traveling throughout North America to manage projects and develop new business with government agencies and engineering firms.

In 2004 Angela formed Tigress Ventures and on March 31st, 2006, as promised, Angela resigned to build Tigress, a company founded to develop businesses and partnerships focused on environmental sustainability, social responsibility, cultural diversity and economic success. The concepts and principles behind this focus were inspired largely by her past experiences and through the key values and policies of the Global Greens, the Green Party of Canada and the British Columbia Green Party.

In March 2008, Angela was one of 250 Canadians trained by Nobel Laureate and Former US Vice President Al Gore, to present the Climate Project Canada, an updated version of the original slideshow from "An Inconvenient Truth." In May 2009, Angela received additional training from David Suzuki, Al Gore and some of the world's best climate scientists, to help promote strong policy in advance of the Copenhagen conference.

Politically, Angela shows her true colors, and at age 31, has run in two provincial and three federal elections, served for three years as Deputy Leader for the Green Party of BC, three years on the Green Party of Canada Federal Council, and as CEO of the Kelowna Federal Green Party since 2006. In November 2008, Angela was elected to Kelowna City Council on a platform of sustainability.

Always active in the community, Angela currently sits on the Board of Directors for the Okanagan Greens Society, the Alberta Biodiesel Association and is a founding member of the Okanagan Environmental Industry Alliance. She is on the steering committee for the Society for a GE Free BC, and a member of the Kelowna Chamber of Commerce Economic Sustainability Committee.

Angela has twelve years of hands-on experience in a professional business environment and six years of solid political knowledge. This, combined with her natural entrepreneurial spirit, has

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proved a winning combination. She is emerging as a leading speaker, philosopher and visionary on the topic of true, holistic sustainability in all sectors of life. Her life purpose is the vision of Tigress Ventures, to influence positive change for a world where people, business and the environment thrive in balance with each other.

Angela is in a committed relationship with the man of her dreams and enjoys a busy, healthy lifestyle, which includes a lot of time in nature.

Prosperity, passion, purpose.

"Only she who attempts the absurd, can achieve the impossible" - an anonymous quote that hangs on Angela's wall.

Ecological Wisdom

Green Values

We acknowledge that human beings are part of the natural world and we respect the specific values of all forms of life, including non-human species.

Social Justice

We assert that the key to social justice is the equitable distribution of resources to ensure that all have full opportunities for personal and social development.

Participatory Democracy

We strive for a democracy in which all citizens have the right to express their views, and are able to directly participate in decisions which affect their lives.

Non-Violence

We declare our commitment to non-violence and strive for a culture of peace and cooperation between states.

Sustainability

We recognize the scope for the material expansion of society within the biosphere, and the need to maintain biodiversity through use of renewable resources.

Respect for Diversity

We honour and value equally the Earth's biological and ecological diversity together with the cultural, linguistic, ethnic, sexual, religious and spiritual diversity.

Download the Global Greens Charter here.

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