

**Philip Owen**  
**Mayor of Vancouver**

Philip Owen was born in Vancouver, British Columbia. After completing his education, he entered the retail business with Eaton's department stores and, by the age of 32, was a store manager.

Later, with a partner, Mr. Owen established a textile business in Vancouver. In 1972, he became active with Vancouver's small business community and has since expanded his interests to include other retail business and manufacturing.

Mr. Owen became involved with municipal government in 1978, when he was elected to the Vancouver Park Board. In 1986, he was elected to city council. During his eight years on the council, Mr. Owen has chaired the standing Committee on City Services and Budgets, established the city's Small Business Council, and served on several boards and commissions. He was elected mayor in November 1993.

Mayor Owen and his wife, Brita, have three children.