



Lisa Munro and Wayne Theobald

Lisa Munro and Wayne Theobald have been residents of Lynn Valley on the North Shore for the past 24 years. They have two children, Cole and Cooper, who are now 26 and 24 years old, respectively. Cole is currently in his second year of law school at the University of Victoria, while Cooper lives in Tofino and works as a surf instructor for Surf Sisters.

For the past 28 years, Lisa and Wayne have been dedicated foster parents, operating as a Level Three Specialized foster home for the Ministry of Children and Family Development. Their home primarily provides care for teenagers between the ages of 13 and 18. Over the years, they have fostered numerous children, many of whom they remain closely connected with and continue to see regularly.

Wayne previously worked as a Youth Drug and Alcohol Counsellor for 25 years, where he had the privilege of supporting young people striving to make positive changes in their lives. Lisa, meanwhile, was a Physical Education teacher in Richmond.

Both Lisa and Wayne have a strong background in sports. Lisa was a high-level soccer player, representing Team Canada and playing at McMaster University. Wayne played college football and soccer at Sheridan College and also spent a season playing Junior Football with the Vancouver Meralomas and the Burlington Braves.

Their passion for athletics led them to play a key role in reviving the Argyle Secondary School football program 15 years ago, a challenging endeavor. Lisa helped manage the team, while Wayne coached the program for eight years. Wayne is currently in his seventh season coaching football at Notre Dame High School in Vancouver. Additionally, he served on the GSL football committee for 10 years, contributing to the development of the local youth football program.

Lisa and Wayne also operate a flag football youth league through their small non-profit organization, New Direction Youth and Family Services. Now in its 17th year, the North Vancouver Spring Flag Football league has earned a strong reputation on the North Shore for providing a fun and inclusive environment for young athletes. Their primary goal is to foster a culture where everyone can enjoy the sport and contribute to a positive experience for all participants

As part of their commitment to youth development, their organization awards five annual scholarships of \$1,000 each to players in the league who have graduated from high school and wish to pursue further education or job training. They also run the North Shore Football Academy, a free program that identifies and supports young athletes with a passion for football, helping them develop their skills at an advanced level from April to June each year.