# FIRST NATION COMMUNITY PROFILE

## LAC LA RONGE INDIAN BAND





## About LAC LA RONGE INDIAN BAND

Located in north-central Saskatchewan, Lac La Ronge Indian Band is the largest First Nation in Saskatchewan, and one of the 10 largest in Canada. The reserve lands extend from rich farmlands in central Saskatchewan, all the way north through the boreal forest to the mighty Churchill River and beyond. The central administration office is located in La Ronge, 241 kilometres north of Prince Albert, on the edge of the Pre-Cambrian Shield. Lac La Ronge Indian Band is proud of their heritage and Cree language, and of the educational opportunities, economic successes and social development work made possible by many years of strong leadership. (http://llrib.com/about-us/)

### HIGHLIGHTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

- La Ronge and Stanley Mission Band of Woods Cree Indians became a signatory to Treaty 6 on February 11, 1889, signed by Chief James Roberts.
- In 1900, Peter Ballantyne was allowed to separate from the La Ronge and Stanley Mission Band to form the Peter Ballantyne Band of Cree Indians, the predecessor to the Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation.
- In 1910, the La Ronge and Stanley Mission Band split into two entities: Amos Charles Band of Cree Indians and the James Roberts Band of Cree Indians. In 1950, the two Bands amalgamated and became the Lac La Ronge Indian Band, the current legal name.
- The Lac La Ronge Indian Band is composed of six reserve communities including Grandmother's Bay, Little Red River, Stanley Mission, which are self-administered and Hall Lake, La Ronge, Sucker River, and 18 separate reserve lands.

### **DEMOGRAPHICS**

Total Populations: 12,087 persons (November, 2023) On Reserve: 7,533 persons/Off Reserve: 4,554 persons Total Reserves/Settlements/Villages: 107,009 acres (Source: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada, https://fnp-ppn.aadnc-

aandc.gc.ca/fnp/Main/Search/FNMain.aspx?BAND\_NUMBER=353&lang=eng)

#### TRIBAL COUNCIL AFFILIATION

Prince Albert Grand Council (PAGC) Member

#### **ECONOMICS**

### IN SASKATOON REGION

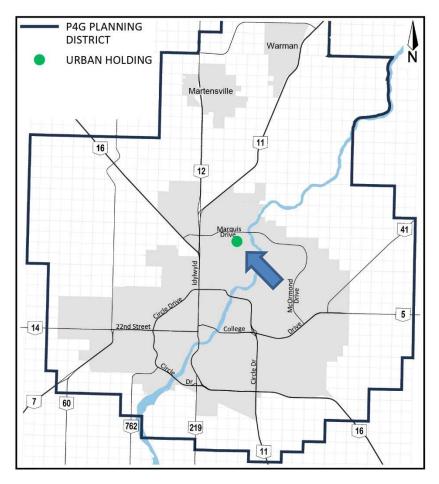
| Land Holdings (Total)                            |               |
|--|---------------|
|  |               |
| Status: Development options are currently being  | ng considered |
| Urban Holding (Saskatoon)                        | 1.3 acres     |
| Employment (On Reserve)                          |               |
| Full Time, Part-Time, Seasonal Employee          | 411           |
| Business Developments – Current                  |               |
| Kitsaki Management Head Office                   |               |
| Kitsaki Management Operations                    |               |
| Kitsaki/Procon Joint Venture                     |               |
| Northern Resource Trucking                       |               |
| Athabasca Catering                               |               |
| CanNorth Environmental                           |               |
| First Nations Insurance Services                 |               |
| Optek Solutions                                  |               |
| March Consulting                                 |               |
| LaRoche McDonald Agencies Ltd                    |               |
| OUTSIDE SASKATOON REGION                         |               |
| AGI Envirotank (Controlling Interest)            |               |
| Keethanow Group of Businesses                    |               |
| PA Photocopier                                   |               |
| PLATO Testing (Minority Interest)                |               |
| Sucker River Community Store                     |               |
| Hall Lake Gas Bar                                |               |
| Bells Point Corner Confectionery                 |               |
| Kitsaki Vegetation Services                      |               |
| Source: Kitsaki Management (http://kitsaki.com/) |               |

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Lac La Ronge Indian Band Land Holdings – City of Saskatoon and Region Approximately 1.3 acres



# For more information





Saskatoon

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### **HOME RESERVE INFORMATION**

### Location

The central administration office is located in La Ronge, 241 kilometres north of Prince Albert.

#### Services

The home reserve has a K-12 school, an administrative office which manages its own internationally accredited Indian Child and Family Services and has strong business ventures through its Kitsaki Management Limited Partnership and Keethanow Business Group. Other services include Jonas Roberts Memorial Community Centre, Lands and Resource Office, Public Works and Housing, Social Development, and others.

### **Education**

The K-12 Education Program emphasizes the four goals of pride, culture, skills, and values; and that helps children achieve academic excellence and proficiency with the Cree Language. The Post-Secondary and Adult Training Program provides support to members to gain access to post-secondary education, training, and employment opportunities.

### **GOVERNANCE**

Chief: Tammy Cook-Searson
Councillors: Devin Bernatchez

Jimmy Charles
Linda Charles
John Boy Halkett
Gerald McKenzie
Robin McKenzie

Keith Mirasty Ann Ratt Dean Roberts Sam Roberts Norman Ross Charlene Venne

Election Term: March 31, 2023 to

March 31, 2026

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