

FIRST NATION COMMUNITY PROFILE



About AHTAHKAKOOP CREE NATION

Ahtahkakoop Cree Nation (ACN) is located near Shell Lake, Saskatchewan, approximately 150 kilometres north of Saskatoon. ACN is committed to providing an exceptional quality of life for their members through the provision of health and education services. ACN "is a forward looking and progressive community that has a vision to build a strong and healthy foundation using the guiding principles of Chief Ahtahkakoop, 'let us not think of ourselves, but of our children's children." (https://www.ahtahkakoop.ca/).

HIGHLIGHTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

- Ahtahkakoop Cree Nation is a member of Treaty 6 and became a signatory in 1876.
- Ahtahkakoop's home reserve encompasses roughly 43,000 acres.
- Ahtahkakoop has purchased the Pleasant Hill School site at 215 Avenue S South in Saskatoon. It is intended as a future medical park and envisioned to include diagnostic imaging, training, and urgent care supports. The facility is a partnership between the Government of Saskatchewan and Ahtahkakoop Cree Developments that "paves a path forward to improved access to urgent care, new supports for mental health and wellness, and opportunities for training and employment for Indigenous and non-Indigenous citizens of Saskatchewan."

(https://globalnews.ca/news/9204560/ahtahkakoop-sask-mou-saskatoon-urgent-care-centre/).

- Ahtahkakoop also have business developments including retail and insurance located outside of Saskatoon.
- In October 2023, Ahtahkakoop opened an employment and training centre in Shell Lake, SK's former high school.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Total Population: 4,234 persons (October 2024)
On Reserve: 1,935 persons/Off Reserve: 2,189 persons
Total Reserves/Settlements/Villages: 42,866 acres
(Source: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada, https://fnp-ppn.aadnc%2Daandc.qc.co/fnp/Main/Search/FNReqPopulation.aspx?BAND_NUMBER=406&lang=eng)

TRIBAL COUNCIL AFFILIATION

Battleford Agency Tribal Chiefs

ECONOMICS

IN SASKATOON REGION

Land Holdings (Total)	151.8 acres
Urban Holding: 215 Avenue S South	2.41 acres
Status: Expected completion in Spring 2026	
Rural Holding: RM of Corman Park, north of Kensington, southwest of the airport	149.39 acres
Business Developments - Current	
OUTSIDE SASKATOON REGION	
Ahtahkakoop General Store	
TIPI Insurance Partners	
Ahtahkakoop Cree Developments LLP	





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Ahtahkakoop Cree Nation Land Holdings - City of Saskatoon and Region 151.8 acres P4G PLANNING DISTRICT **RURAL HOLDING URBAN HOLDING** Martensville 11 16 12 41 Marquis 5 14 7 60 762 219 16 11

HOME RESERVE INFORMATION

Location

The home reserve is located near Shell Lake. approximately 150 km north of Saskatoon.

Services

Services available on ACN's home reserve include: Health Centre and Holistic Wellness Team; Know Your Status program; Justice Program and Justice Team; Athletics Program; Ahtahkakoop Child & Family Services Inc.; Cree Nations Treatment Haven; Fred Sasakamoose Arena.

Education

Chief Ahtahkakoop School is part of the Treaty Six Education Council, and its mission is to "create a caring, sharing and daring environment where each child can achieve his or her potential and is able to cope with the ever-changing future" (https://www.oak104.ca/). The school offers a remote learning hub, counseling, career and academic advising, a drivers' education program, and a student summer program. ACN also supports postsecondary students through scholarships, transition preparedness, placement, and internship iob allowances.

GOVERNANCE

Chief: Larry Ahenakew Councillors: Ben Ahenakew

Lanny Ahenakew Russell Ahenakew Dean Genereaux James Isbister Patricia Isbister David Masuskapoe Chad Peekeekoot Rodney Sasakamoose

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June 18, 2021 to

Election Term:

June 17, 2025

FOR MORE INFORMATION





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