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# Crane River

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## **Community Overview**

### **History**

Two communities share the name Crane River, the community and the adjacent reserve, O-Chi-Chak Ko Sipi First Nation. Information in this profile relates to the non-reserve side, unless otherwise noted.

### **Access**

The community is located on the west shore at the north end of Lake Manitoba. All-weather access is provided by Provincial Road (PR) 276 from Ste. Rose du Lac to Toutes Aides and PR 481 to Crane River. Dauphin is 120 kilometres (km) west and Winnipeg is 320 km southeast.

### **Governance**

The community was recognized in May 1969 and is represented by a mayor and council under The Northern Affairs Act.

### **Economic**

Main economic opportunities are commercial fishing, ranching and local services. Most commercial fishing is in the winter. The terrain primarily supports mixed farming and ranching. There is little or no forestry operation at present.

### **Contacts**

Crane River Community Council  
Box 83  
Crane River, MB R0L 0M0

Phone: 204-732-2268

Fax: 204-732-2709

Phone: 204-732-2164 Garage

Phone: 204-732-2569 Arena

Phone: 204-732-2503 Water Treatment Plant

Email: crcc@inetlink.ca

Office hours: Monday to Thursday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Friday 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

### **Staff**

The community employs a community administrative officer, public works employee/

water operator and backup, community safety officer, fire chief, emergency coordinator and regional recreation director.

### **Statistics**

Census Year	Population
1985	328
1991	232
1996	178
2001	161
2006	162
2011	130
2016	137
2021	129

*\*information is from Statistics Canada*

### **Households**

There are 54 housing units and a senior's complex.

### **Boundary**

Manitoba Regulation 67/2009 refers to Director of Surveys at Winnipeg as No. 19315. See map.

### **Property Assessment and Taxes**

Information is from the 2023 assessment roll and Tax Rates Regulation (2023) of Manitoba Municipal and Northern Relations.

Value of Assessment	
Business	0
Real Property	\$2,113,800
Total	\$2,113,800
Grants-in-lieu	\$915,460
Exempt	\$638,070
Rate of Taxation	
General Municipal	5.7 mills
Business Tax	3.75%
School Levies	
Education Support	8.140 mills
Frontier School Division #48	12.422 mills

### **Emergency Services**

#### **Fire**

Firefighting capability is based on a pumper

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truck and equipment from the fire hall. Phone: 204-732-2335. Portable forestry equipment is also available for grass and brush fires. The volunteer fire department responds locally and is a member of the Winnipegosis Mutual Aid District.

### Police

Police response is from the Ste. Rose du Lac RCMP detachment. Phone: 204-447-2513. The community safety officer responds locally. Phone: 204-732-2157.

### Medical

The nearest doctor and hospital are in Ste. Rose du Lac.

## Communication Services

### Phone

BellMTS Rorketon Exchange provides individual line service and digital switching with toll free calling to: Camperville, Dauphin, Eddystone, Ethelbert, Fork River, Gilbert Plains, Grandview, Ochre River, Pine River, Rorketon, Sifton, Ste. Rose du Lac, Waterhen, Winnipegosis. Office toll free: 204-225-5687.

### Cellular Service

Unavailable.

### High-Speed Internet/Wi-Fi

Rural satellite available.

## Community-Based Services

### Hydro

Manitoba Hydro provides landline electric power. Office toll free: 1-888-624-9376.

### Water

Water is pumped twice yearly from Lake Manitoba into a reservoir when there is minimum turbidity. It is then put through a centrifugal filter and a slow sand filter before entering a buffer tank. From there the water runs through a nano filter and UV before being distributed. Manual pickup of treated water from the plant is available for non-connected customers.

### Wastewater

Wastewater is piped by a low-pressure system to a lagoon located within the community.

### Waste Disposal

A transfer station exists eight km from the community. It is supervised and open six hours per week. The public works employee picks up solid waste once per week and transports it to a regional waste site in Waterhen.

### Schools

The Lakefront School, operated by Frontier School Division, serves 44 students from Nursery to Grade 8. Phone: 204-732-2750.

### Recreation Facilities

- ball diamond
- community hall
- arena
- playground facilities

### Recreation Activities

- open public skating
- slo-pitch games
- fun in the sun
- Canada Day festival
- Lakefront Christmas concert
- Community Christmas supper

## Commercial Services

### Accommodation

- There is no overnight accommodation or restaurants available locally.

### Transportation

- Gardewine North provides freight service from its Dauphin terminal.

### Business Directory

Business	Phone
Crane River Band Store	204-732-2832

## Government Services

### Provincial Government Departments

Manitoba Economic Development, Investment, Trade and Natural Resources

Regional Operations, Western Region, District Office Phone: 204-656-7030 and conservation

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officer Phone: 204-656-7033 in Winnipegosis.  
Fire operations manager Phone: 204-627-8267  
in The Pas.

Manitoba Environment and Climate Change  
Regional drinking water officer Phone:  
204-648-5200 and environment officer Phone:  
204-648-4794 in Dauphin. The 24 hour  
environmental emergency response line toll free:  
1-855-944-4888.

Manitoba Health, Seniors and Long-Term Care  
Public health inspector Phone: 204-622-2126 in  
Dauphin.

Manitoba Indigenous Economic Development  
Communities Economic Development Fund  
(CEDF) Phone: 204-778-4138 in Thompson  
(Head Office) or toll free: 1-800-561-4315.

Manitoba Justice  
Circuit court sits at Dauphin coordinated by the  
Dauphin Regional Court Office Phone:  
204-622-2192.

Manitoba Labour and Immigration  
Employment Standards Branch Phone:  
204-945-3352 in Winnipeg or toll free:  
1-800-821-4307.

Inspection and Technical Services, building  
inspector Phone: 204-945-3373 in Winnipeg or  
Email: [TechnicalServices@gov.mb.ca](mailto:TechnicalServices@gov.mb.ca).

Workplace Safety and Health Branch toll free:  
1-855-957-SAFE (7233).

Manitoba Municipal and Northern Relations  
Northern Affairs, North Central Region Phone:  
204-622-2110 in Dauphin. The 24 hour  
emergency number toll free: 1-866-735-3111.

Community and Regional Planning Branch,  
Regional Office Phone: 204-622-2115 in  
Dauphin.

Community Development Branch, Westman/  
Parkland Region regional consultant Phone:  
204-726-6068 in Brandon.

Office of the Fire Commissioner, emergency  
services officer Phone: 204-726-6855 in  
Brandon or Email: [firecomm@gov.mb.ca](mailto:firecomm@gov.mb.ca). The  
24 hour emergency response number toll free:  
1-888-253-1488.

Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure  
Emergency Measures Organization, General  
Office and emergency management advisor  
Phone: 204-945-3050 in Winnipeg or toll free:  
1-888-267-8298.

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