

# Tyne Carmichael

Our family moved to Portage la Prairie 4 years ago and we are happy to call this place home! I am the lucky mother of 2 sons who attend school in the Portage la Prairie School Division and of our new daughter who we welcomed into our family 3 months ago. We enjoy walking our dog at the Junkyard Dog Bike Trails, playing at Island Park, and riding our bikes along Crescent Lake. We spend our summers camping at Delta and our winters are busy with the many extracurricular activities available to our kids here. My husband and I feel fortunate to have found a community like this one to raise our family in and put down roots.



I work as an EMS dispatcher at the Medical Transportation Communication Centre in Brandon and have been there for 12 years. I maintain an Emergency Medical Technician and Emergency Medical Dispatch license. MTCC is responsible for processing all medical emergency calls and facilitating the response. We dispatch and coordinate responses for ground EMS, the STAR7 helicopter, the Child Health Transport Team, Life Flight, other medical aircraft, and Stretcher Services. We triage and organize all interfacility transfers outside the perimeter of Winnipeg as well. My career in emergency communications is challenging and equally rewarding. I love the work we do and am proud to be a part of that team.

I joined the Portage Rotary Club when we moved here in 2018 and I now serve as the Director of Youth Programs. Rotary has allowed me to learn about our city through presentations by local leaders and I enjoy volunteering for fundraisers that support our community. As Director of Youth Programs, I am responsible for connecting local students to programs designed to build leadership skills and empower our young people. Our family has hosted two exchange students and 3 Terrier billets. I believe mentorship can change a young person's life and I look forward to providing that support.

I will continue to commute to Brandon for work as the only emergency communication centres in Manitoba are located there or in Winnipeg. However, I want to always be involved here in some capacity and contribute what I can to our home community. I was hired by the Portage Community Revitalization Corporation in 2021 to run the Urban Indigenous Vaccine Clinic. My work with the PCRC opened my eyes to all the valuable organizations serving our community and the incredible people behind them! I enjoyed being a part of that team and have been looking for another opportunity to serve. Being a school trustee would allow me to do just that. I believe in our city and would value the chance to collaborate with other community-oriented professionals to support our public school system and the families who live here.