



# Value Proposition

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*Southport*  
AEROSPACE CENTRE INC.



## Basic Information

<b>Legal Name:</b>	Southport Aerospace Centre Incorporated
<b>Operating Name:</b>	Southport (SACI)
<b>Subsidiaries or Divisions:</b>	N/A
<b>International Facilities:</b>	N/A
<b>Company Locations:</b>	Southport, Manitoba
<b>Headquarters:</b>	Southport, Manitoba
<b>Subsidiary:</b>	N/A
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<b>HQ Company Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.southport.ca">www.southport.ca</a>
<b>Country of Ownership:</b>	Canada
<b>Canadian Controlled:</b>	Southport is a non-profit that is locally controlled and operated and is thus a flexible organization with immediate in-house decision making and response to contractor inquiries, quote requests, facility tours, etc.
<b>Year Established:</b>	1992



# History

## History of Canadian Forces Base Portage la Prairie

Originally opened on 28 October 1940 as No. 14 Elementary Flying Training School, a part of the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan. The post-war expansion of the RCAF resulted in RCAF Station Portage la Prairie being re-activated on 15 September 1952. No. 2 Advanced Flying School (No. 2 AFS) was established to train RCAF and NATO pilots. Several other flight schools followed over the succeeding decades. As a result of the unification, the station was renamed CFB Portage la Prairie in 1966. In the late 1980s, Department of National Defence budget reductions led to the contracting out of flight training to civilian agencies. Due to further budget cuts, CFB Portage la Prairie closed in August 1992 and Southport Aerospace Centre Inc. assumed responsibility for the entire site on September 1, 1992. Today, KF Aerospace Defence Programs provides the Contracted Flying Training and Support Program for ab-initio and advanced pilot training through 3 Canadian Forces Flying Training School (3 CFSTS).



## Southport Corporate History

After the transition from CFB Portage la Prairie to Southport occurred, military pilot training continued through the 3 Canadian Forces Flying Training School which was being administered by Bombardier until 2005, when it was succeeded by Allied Wings until present. Over the past number of years, Southport has focused on the provision of military flight training facilities, as well as the development of other education and training programs. As a property management and development company, Southport has diversified its tenant base to include health administration (Southern Health–Santé Sud), education and training (Red River College Stevenson Campus - Aviation and Aerospace, Assiniboine Community College, and Accelerated Christian Education Canada), manufacturing (Airport Technologies Inc.), addictions counselling (Addictions Foundation of Manitoba) childcare (Portage Day Care Centre), hangar storage and services (J.R. Simplot Company) and support services for the military flight contract (KF Aerospace and Canadian Base Operators). Southport strives to ensure that all facilities fit its tenants needs based on their unique requirements. A commitment to quality customer service and establishing a sense of community is what enriches the experience of doing business with Southport.



## Southport Goals

### Mission

To stimulate economic development in the communities we serve by realizing the full potential of Southport's airspace, airport, and commercial and residential properties.

### Vision

An airport community fostering aerospace technology and diversified training; a strong partner with the Canadian military and a leader in site services and property management.

### Values

1

**We care deeply about our community**

We believe in building heartfelt relationships with each other, our customers, and the communities we serve.



2

**We enable the success of others**

Our growth is driven by the success of our employees, customers, and community partners.



3

**We lead the way**

We are committed to being trailblazing leaders and providing opportunities for development and advancement for our customers and community.



4

**We prioritize the well-being of our employees**

We take care of each other and are committed to developing our employees and helping them reach their full potential.



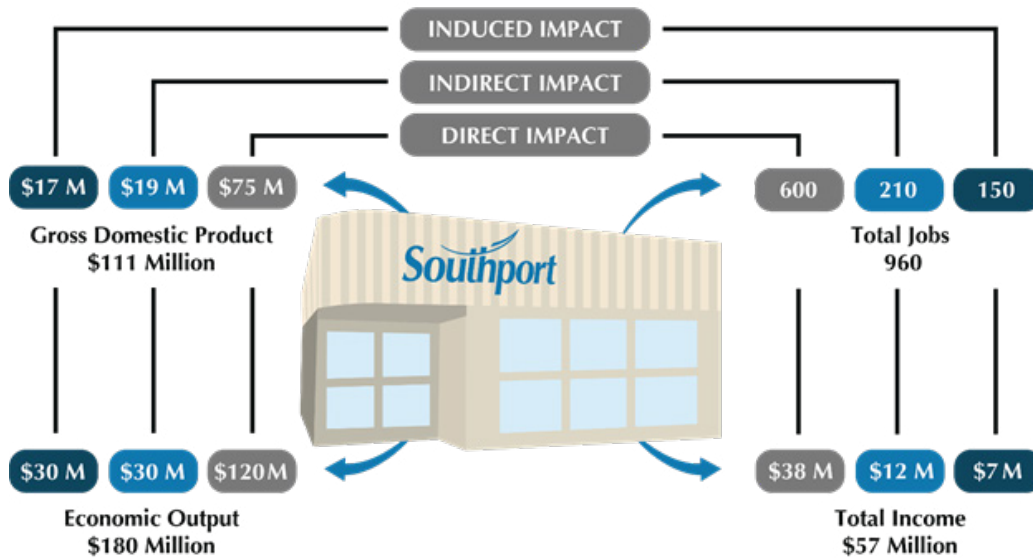
### Employee Statistics

Southport employs 34 full-time employees and 10 part-time/seasonal employees. Combined, Southport and Southport's tenants employ 600 people.

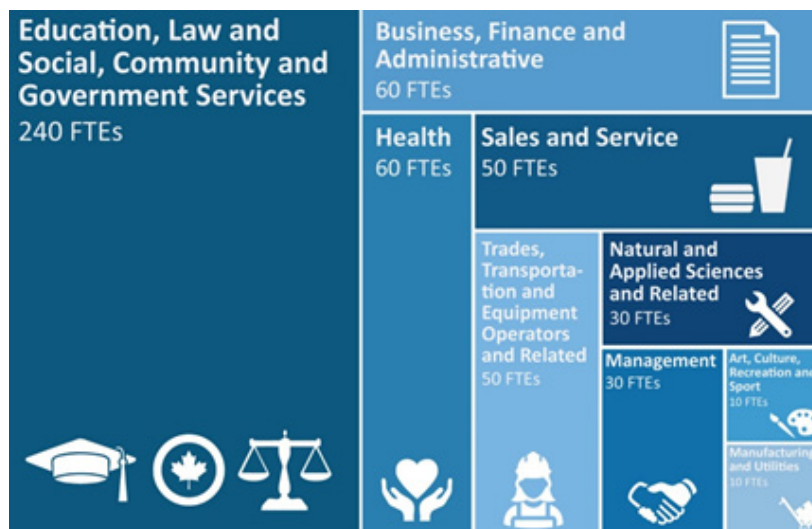


# Economic Impact

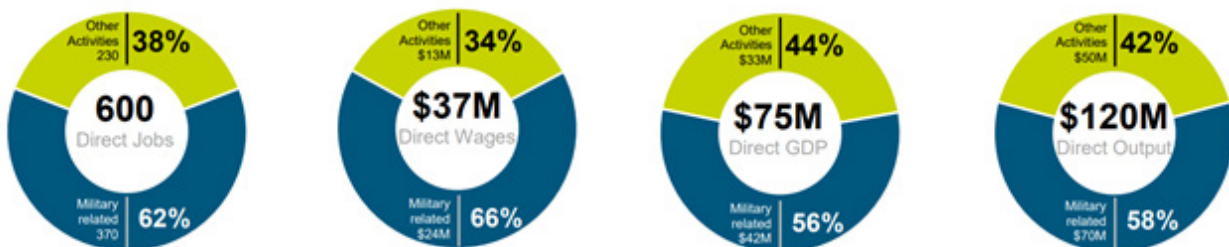
## Total Economic Impact of Capital Expenditure at Southport in 2019



## Types of Jobs at Southport



## Southport's Direct Economic Impact Attributed to Military Related Services - 2019



Note: Employment associated with military related services is determined based on survey results. Results are based on a review of 2019 operations.

# Southport Land-Use & Development

The Southport lands have been analyzed in a systematic approach and the methodology used to conduct the land-use and development studies were based on a four-step process:

- 1 Project initiation, background review and site familiarization.
- 2 Future airport operational requirements and protections.
- 3 Analysis, assessments and constraints of existing and potential land-use. This included the current and future infrastructure and facilities requirements as well as environmental and zoning issues.
- 4 Recommended airport development/upgrade

All commercial land at Southport is subdivided.

**Total Land:** 607 hectares includes airport, residential properties, recreational infrastructure and facilities and all other assets. There is great opportunity for growth.

**Airside:** There are 80 hectares of airside space available. A vast majority of the airside land is already serviced and ready to be built on immediately. The commercial portion of SACI's land has been subdivided into parcels for industrial, commercial, educational and recreational uses.





# Infrastructure & Facilities

Southport has a robust 20-year Master Plan that provides detailed plans for existing and future facilities, which is aligned with a capital plan. Southport is responsible for all roads and infrastructure on-site and capital investments are continuous to keep the site modern and maintained. The majority of sites available to build on have the infrastructure in place already, making all land attractive for future development.

## Recent Major Facility and Infrastructure Investments over the past five years include:

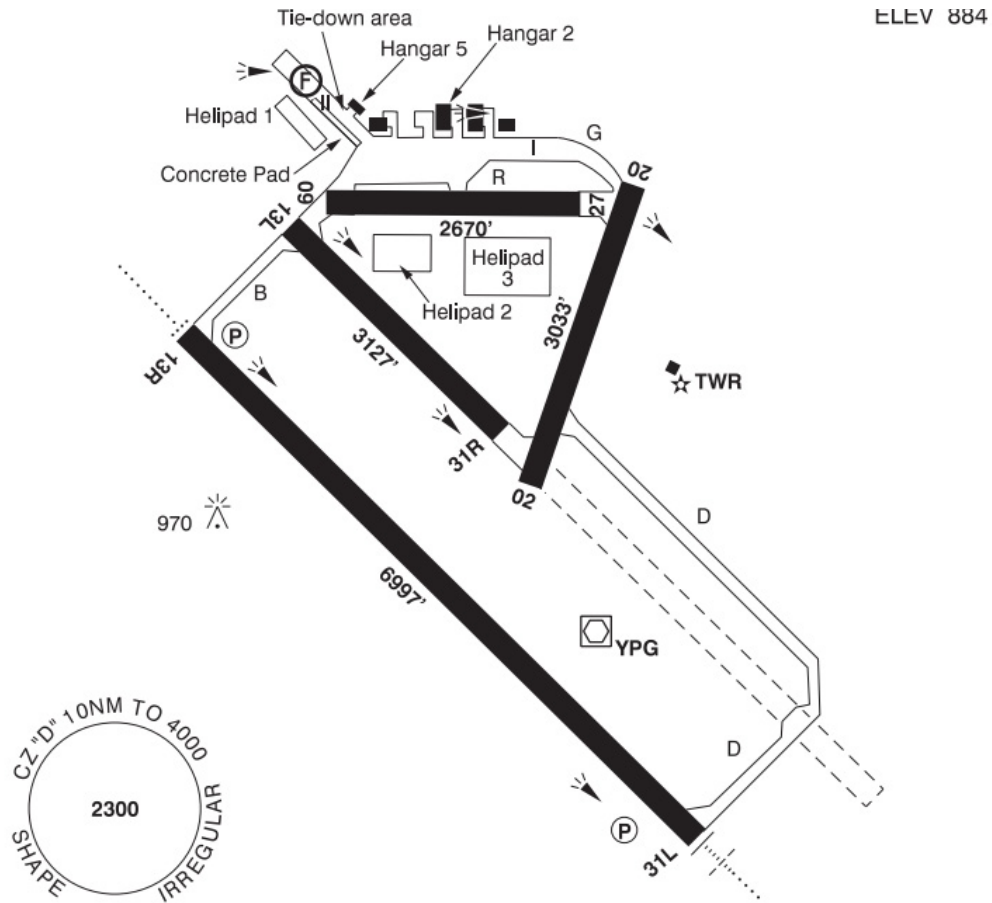
- FY 2016-17: New Recreation Centre construction \$1.9M; commercial and residential building improvements \$962K; Infrastructure: Commercial Sewer/water and roads/sidewalk improvements \$609K; Furniture and Effects \$44K.
- FY 2017-18: Commercial and residential building improvements \$2.05M; Infrastructure: Commercial Sewer/water and roads/sidewalk improvements \$450K; Furniture and Effects \$113K.
- FY 2018-19: New and existing commercial and residential building improvements \$2M; Infrastructure: Commercial and residential Sewer/water and roads/sidewalk improvements \$581K; Furniture and Effects \$144K.
- FY 2019-20: New and existing commercial (Hangar 5) and residential building improvements \$4.8M; Infrastructure: Commercial and residential Sewer/water and roads/sidewalk improvements \$450K; Furniture and Effects \$317K.
- FY 2020-21: New and existing commercial and residential building improvements \$2.7M; Infrastructure: Commercial and residential Sewer/water and roads/sidewalk improvements \$274K; Furniture and Effects \$125K.

## Planned Facility and Infrastructure investments for the next five years include:

- FY 2021-22: New and existing commercial and residential building improvements \$2.5M; Infrastructure: Commercial and residential Sewer/water and roads/sidewalk improvements \$763K; Furniture and Effects \$228K.
- FY 2022-23: New and existing commercial and residential building improvements \$2.3M; Infrastructure: Commercial and residential Sewer/water and roads/sidewalk improvements \$1M; Furniture and Effects \$345K.
- FY 2023-24: New and existing commercial and residential building improvements \$1.8M; Infrastructure: Commercial and residential Sewer/water and roads/sidewalk improvements \$778K; Furniture and Effects \$145K.
- FY 2024-25: New and existing commercial and residential building improvements \$2M; Infrastructure: Commercial and residential Sewer/water and roads/sidewalk improvements \$525K; Furniture and Effects \$97K.
- FY 2025-26: New and existing commercial and residential building improvements \$2.5M; Infrastructure: Commercial and residential Sewer/water and roads/sidewalk improvements \$298K; Furniture and Effects \$60K.

# Southport Airport (CYPG)

Southport Airport (Portage/Southport CYPG) is owned by Southport and is a Transport Canada certified airport with a Class D Control Zone. The Tower operates from 0800 hours to 1700 hours CST. The primary runway is 13R-31L at 2132m by 45m. Runway 02-20 is 928m by 45m; Runway 09-27 is 813m by 30m and Runway 13L-31R is 954m by 30m. CYPG is a 24/7 public use airport with four well-maintained runways capable of supporting both VFR and IFR operations down to Cat 1 precision approach limits. Aircraft of various sizes are able to land at Southport. Other facilities include two aprons, three helipads, multiple navigational aids, and runway lighting. Please see the Canada Flight Supplement for more details. KF Aerospace – Defence Programs is the primary user of the airport, where Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) pilots are trained.



## Primary Runway:

13R-31L – 2132m by 45m

## Secondary Runways:

13L-31R – 954m by 45m

09-27 – 813m by 30m

02-20 – 928m by 45m

## Recent Major Airport Investments:

Southport stays committed to investing in our airport each year through ongoing capital projects. Some of the most recent projects over the past five years include:

- FY 2016-17: Apron I repairs \$205K; aerodrome beacon replacement \$7K; Instrument Landing System (replaced in 2015 for \$731K); follow-on work \$14K.
- FY 2017-18: Windsock Replacements \$66K; Airfield Signage Improvements \$38K.



- FY 2018-19: Runway and Apron Engineering \$117K; Voice Communication System Replacement \$326K.
- FY 2019-20: Runway surface crack filling Rwy 13R-31L and Rwy 09-27 \$275K.
- FY 2020-21: Runway and Apron Repairs \$35K; Runway renovation Engineering \$107K.

### Planned Major Airport Investments:

Planned projects for Southport's airfield over the next five years include:

- FY 2021-22: Runway 13L-31R rehabilitation and narrowing \$2.4M; Fencing improvements \$17K; Engineering for Nav Aid Communication Lines \$14K
- FY 2022-23: Apron and Taxiway repairs \$332K; Nav Aid Communication Lines \$140K; Airfield Transmitters/Receivers \$34K; Weather Equipment \$21K.
- FY 2023-24: Taxiway G Rehabilitation \$225K; VOR/DME nav aid \$784K; ATC Transmitters/Receivers \$672K; misc airfield equipment \$74K.
- FY 2024-25: Apron rehabilitation \$1.6M; Engineering for Runway 13L-31R Button rehabilitation \$60K; ATC Communications Recorder \$87K.
- FY 2025-26: Engineering for new FAcT Hangar \$1.2M; Apron rehab \$2M; Rwy 02-20 rehab \$240K; Taxiway Bravo rehab \$69K; Airfield Lighting Control System \$97K.

### Airport Events:

Southport is home to the Manitoba Airshow that has been recently held in 2016 and 2018. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2020 show had to be cancelled. These airshows attracted visitors to Southport from across Manitoba and other provinces as well. Southport's professionalism, connectedness in the aviation industry and strong partnership with the military is showcased by hosting these events. The future of airshows at Southport is currently unknown, but we will continue to explore opportunities to highlight aviation in our province through aerial displays in the coming years.

Southport is a member of the Aerial Evolution Association of Canada (formerly known as Unmanned Systems Canada) and hosted their UAS (Unmanned Aerial Systems) Student Competition in 2012, 2014, 2016 and 2018 and will host the competition again in May 2022. Southport also partnered with the Aerial Evolution Association of Canada to host a Precision Agriculture Workshop focused on Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS) usage in the agricultural sector.



## Commercial Opportunities

Southport's commercial business park promotes quality design and long-term sustainability in a beautiful country setting. Located in the centre of Canada and at the heart of the Province of Manitoba, Southport offers distinctive small-town hospitality in a safe, vibrant, first-class business community where innovation, education, and technology are creating a balanced and diversified environment.

The Southport Commercial Leasing Team is committed to develop and improve our business site and commercial properties for current and future tenants. The Southport team collaborates with tenants to ensure all of their needs are met including property (land and building), technology requirements, parking facilities, security and amenities. The team actively works with tenants to ensure we help them achieve their future strategic goals with innovative infrastructure development.

Inspired by the businesses we serve, there are diverse abilities for the residential or commercial development of the inclusive, multicultural community of Southport, Manitoba.

## Leasing Opportunities

### Southport Building

The Southport Building has a number of conference rooms and offices available for large or small, single or multi-day events, or for long-term commercial leasing opportunities. These rooms are comfortable and spacious and can be configured into the exact space for any business.



### Southport Building - Affordable Business Incubator Space

As an economic development leader in the region, Southport and its officials have recognized the difficulty COVID-19 has caused for small business owners. To assist with the recovery phase, Southport has committed to supporting small businesses during this uneasy time through the provision of a business incubation program.



## Flightline Building

The 16,000 ft<sup>2</sup> Flightline Building offers office space to meet any customer's needs. This large commercial building has the flexibility to adapt to large, spacious rooms or small offices. Direct airside access is available from within this facility, and it also features the best views of the airport on-site. The Flightline Building has recently received upgrades including: new roof, new air conditioning unit, paint and carpet, enhanced internet services and electronic key access.



## Central Plains RecPlex Commercial Space

The Central Plains RecPlex has 1,895 ft<sup>2</sup> of commercial space available to lease. The versatile space has multiple office space configurations, affordable lease rates and terms for negotiation, access to a state-of-the-art fitness facility, a separate entrance and designated parking lot and is an on-net fibre optic capable building with Wi-Fi access.



## Hangar 5

Southport constructed a 13,600ft<sup>2</sup> carbon-neutral hangar in 2019 to provide aircraft storage at CYPG. The hangar features 90ft wide x 28ft high doors, lounge and office space for flight planning and rest, short and long-term storage options, in-floor heating, aircraft continuous power units, anti-icing, fuelling and aircraft towing. The hangar has a diversified tenant base and can accommodate multiple aircraft at one time. Southport is exploring opportunities to become a Canada Border Services Agency for trusted travellers flying in from the United States.



## Fibre Optic Connectivity

Southport currently has 46 strands of Shaw fibre optic internet cable installed at our site. There are 46 strands currently available, allowing for faster upload and download speeds, with up to 100G of internet service available through each strand. All commercial buildings are on-net fibre capable and our tenants have the ability to have private fibre networks that can be linked to satellite locations. The internet and fibre capabilities create a valuable asset to our facilities.

## 3D Virtual Tours

360° virtual tours make experiencing Southport from afar easy. Self-guided, 3D tours of our commercial, residential and accommodation facilities are conveniently located on Southport's [website](#).



Flightline Building



Barker Suites



Centenaire South



# Climate Smart

Southport Aerospace Centre Inc. was the first business in Manitoba to become Climate Smart certified in April of 2019. Attending Climate Smart training, completing a carbon emissions inventory, and developing a carbon emissions reduction plan each year maintains certification. Since 2019 Southport has undertaken a number of initiatives to not only reduce carbon emissions from buildings but to also track paper usage, monitor fleet vehicle fuel usage, reduce waste going to the landfill, and increase recycling of office paper, corrugated cardboard and single-use batteries.



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# Residential Development

Southport currently has 201 residential housing units in the rental portfolio. 188 of the units were existing rental units (former military quarters) and the remaining units consist of one condo purchased by Southport and 12 newly constructed rental units in Southport's newest residential development area, Centenaire South.

Southport implemented a residential upgrade program in 2014. The program was designed as a long-term approach to upgrade the 188 existing residential units with the goal of increasing asset values while addressing life cycle upgrades and aligning our rent rates with current market value.

Since 2014, 140 units have been upgraded and are all rented at their new respective lease rates. The program will continue with the upgrades to the remaining 48 units over the next 3 years.

Centenaire South was a new development created to address a need for diversity in Southport's rental housing portfolio and utilize 47 previously vacant lots. Since 2018, 2 duplexes (4 rental units) have been constructed each year and have been successfully leased prior to construction completion.

Centenaire South units have an upscale design with luxury finishes not available in Southport's original rental units. The plan to develop the remaining lots will be finalized in 2022-23 and construction of four rental units per year is anticipated until all the lots have been developed.

Southport is currently undergoing a residential furnace upgrade program as a part of its Climate Smart initiatives, converting all gas furnaces to electric. The program will complete a life-cycle replacement of 188 aging furnaces with new electric furnaces. Converting from gas furnaces to electric furnaces provides many advantages to Southport including:

- Reduction in carbon footprint
- Reduction in maintenance costs
- Lower upfront installation costs

Other significant initiatives over the next five years include the removal of approximately 80 dead or dangerous trees and stumps, planting of 120 new trees appropriate in size and location, and paving/reconstruction at the west end of Yellow Quill Drive to correct road elevations and line up with new builds. The next 8 years will see Yellow Quill Drive lots being developed starting at the east end, moving west and finishing out with single family style units.



## Accommodation Facilities

Southport has accommodations on-site for both short and long-term stays. Southport has become a destination for not only students and workers on-site, but as a complement to the local accommodation market. Southport accommodations house guests to the region attending conferences, sporting events, business travel and family events. All accommodation guests have access to the many amenities on-site including: recreation, dining and outdoor facilities. Group packages are available for guests to bundle the services that Southport has to offer.

### Barker Suites

Barker Suites features 52 spacious suites, each with separate living, dining and kitchen areas, a private bedroom with a queen bed, full bathroom, satellite televisions, Wi-Fi and a storage area. The building itself boasts Wi-Fi access, serviced parking, two two-bedroom suites, three accessible suites, and common sitting areas and laundry facilities on each floor. There is a large gathering area on the main floor, which is great for large groups. As the rooms are suite-style, they are comfortable for both short and longer stays.



### Mynarski House

Mynarski House has 32 rooms including two two-bedroom units and two suites with kitchenettes. Rooms are equipped with a double bed, bar-sized fridge, a private bathroom, cable television and Wi-Fi. The building is equipped with Wi-Fi and serviced parking is also available. Common laundry rooms are available on each floor as well as a common kitchen and lounge area which include stoves, microwaves and basic cookware.





# Recreation Facilities

## Central Plains RecPlex

Central Plains RecPlex features a fitness area with a 9m rock climbing wall, 110m indoor track, a wide variety of cardio and weight equipment and a separate full size gymnasium. The Welcome Centre features a food kiosk, Brews & Bites, which serves pizza, drinks and snacks, as well as an ATM and public washrooms. A 28-child daycare centre, operated by Portage Day Care Centre, is also located on the west side of the RecPlex.



## Southport Bowl

Southport Bowl is a modern 5-pin bowling alley located in the Central Plains RecPlex. Southport Bowl has a universally-accessible entrance that leads you to 5 lanes of bowling suitable for bowlers of all ages and abilities. Southport Bowl is also equipped for glow bowling and features lane bumpers and electronic scoring. Guests can enjoy pizza, popcorn, snacks and a variety of non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages from Brews & Bites while they play.





## Outdoor Facilities

With plenty of green space, Southport hosts a wide variety of outdoor activities in the summer months with its beautiful and versatile outdoor recreation facilities. Southport features ball diamonds, tennis courts, a 400m cinder track, soccer fields, two play structures and kilometres of paved walking paths.



## Southport Golf Club

The Southport Golf Club, situated in a picturesque country setting at the end of Southport's airfield, is a fun and challenging 9-hole golf course with a unique layout designed for all levels of play. Located just 10km from Portage la Prairie, the course features generous fairways and well-conditioned greens. The golf club has a newly expanded, licensed clubhouse and features the only driving range in the Portage la Prairie region.



## Key Tenants



### Accelerated Christian Education Canada (ACE)

Accelerated Christian Education (ACE) is a faith-based homeschooling curriculum managed out of Southport. ACE promotes education across the country through individualization, academic excellence, character building, and traditional values. ACE provides schooling for kids from Kindergarten to Grade 12.

ACE is the only tenant at Southport that owns its building. They have made extensive renovations to the building throughout the years and continue to make it a better place for kids to learn.



### Addictions Foundation Manitoba (AFM)

Addictions Foundation Manitoba (AFM) opened its first Youth Residential Treatment Facility (now called the Compass Program) in Southport. This 14-bed facility provides residential treatment for youth ages 13-17, who are referred from across the province.

The Compass Program helps address current gaps in service for Manitoba youth and their families. The program is designed to help teens look at their involvement with alcohol, drugs, and gambling to see if it is affecting their life in a negative way. The

youth have the opportunity to meet and work with counsellors who understand youth issues and the potential effects of alcohol, drugs, and gambling on young people's lives. The program offers safety, confidentiality, respect, and openness.

AFM occupies the northeast wing of the Southport Building. Renovations were done to create a safe and comfortable setting for the youth. The AFM program utilizes the Central Plains RecPlex, walking paths, and outdoor facilities, which are great for the youth to build confidence, find new hobbies, and interact with others.



### Airport Technologies Inc. (ATI)

Airport Technologies Inc. is a local, Canadian company that specializes in restoring and refurbishing airport maintenance equipment. ATI is located on the east side of Southport in a hangar that has undergone construction to include a large-scale crane. ATI has seen a lot of success throughout the years and has grown into manufacturing its own designs out of its plant at Southport, in addition to being a Re-Life specialist for Airport Runway Snowblowers and Runway Sweepers.

ATI manufactures the best "purpose-built" Airport Plow Vehicle in the world called the Snow Mauler, as well as a High-Speed Airport Snowblower, the Snow Wolf.

ATI has products at airports across North America.

Their Canadian customers include the Winnipeg International Airport, the Department of National Defence (Halifax, Greenwood, Bagotville, Trenton, Winnipeg, Cold Lake, Comox), Serco Facilities Management (Goose Bay, Labrador), Saskatoon John D Diefenbaker International Airport, Regina International Airport, KF Aerospace – Defence Programs (Southport 3CFFTS Flying Training), Cranbrook Airport, Brandon Airport, Edmonton City Centre Airport, Nanaimo Airport, and Abbotsford Airport.

Their United States customers include Dulles International Airport, Dupage Airport, Pittsburgh Allegheny Airport, Reagan National Airport, Chicago O'Hare Airport, and Cherry Capital Airport in Traverse City Michigan.



## Assiniboine Community College (ACC)

ACC Practical Nursing Program - Assiniboine Community College (ACC) operates a Permanent Practical Nursing Program out of the Southport campus. The program uses an interactive blended learning and classroom environment, with simulated clinical settings using the latest lab equipment. The Practical Nursing Program provides students with an opportunity to make a difference in the health care profession.

ACC uses the Southport Building for office, classroom, and laboratory space. Students stay in Southport's accommodation building, Mynarski House, and use the

Central Plains RecPlex when they need a break from studying.

ACC has had a lot of success with the program at Southport. This program is great for the local economy and produces local nurses that will ideally stay and work in the Portage la Prairie region.



## KF Aerospace - Defence Programs

KF Aerospace - Defence Programs services the Royal Canadian Air Forces' primary flight training program. In 2005, KF Aerospace (formerly Kelowna Flightcraft) was awarded the DND Contracted Flying Training and Support Program contract. As the prime contractor of a team of top Canadian aerospace companies, KF Aerospace has established a turnkey operation at the Southport Airport with new facilities, training devices and courseware to satisfy the training requirements of the RCAF.

KF Aerospace operates four fleets of aircraft: the Grob G120A for primary flying training, the C-90B King Air for advanced multi-engine pilot training and the B206 Jet Ranger and B412 CF Outlaw to support advanced rotary-wing pilot training. KF Aerospace and its partners provide all the ground schooling, simulator instruction, flight instruction on the Grob G120A, and all of the support services for the program.

The KF Aerospace subcontractor, Canadian Base Operators (CBO), provides airfield maintenance and snow and ice control with a fleet of modern heavy vehicles and a team of experienced operators.

KF Aerospace is Southport's largest tenant and embraces Southport's proud military history as they train 80% of all Royal Canadian Air Force pilots. They use a number of facilities on-site, including; Hangar 1, Hangar 2, the Hilly Brown Building (offices, classrooms, simulators), the Lt. Alan McLeod Building (military student accommodations), Voyageur Place (military dining facility and Combined Ranks Mess), Barker Suites (additional accommodations available for military VIPs, staff and students), the Air Traffic Control Tower, and the CBO Airside Maintenance Building.



## Portage Day Care Centre

Portage Day Care Centre operates a licensed 28-space childcare facility for children aged 18 months to 5 years inside the Central Plains RecPlex. The location is convenient for families living, working, or studying at Southport.

Portage Day Care Centre operates two other facilities within the Portage la Prairie community and ensures quality childcare is provided.

The Southport facility includes amenities such as play and nap areas and gated outdoor play space.



## Red River College - Stevenson Campus Aviation & Aerospace

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Red River College - Stevenson Campus Aviation & Aerospace operates its Aircraft Maintenance Engineer apprenticeship training program out of Hangar 4 here at Southport. The 2,200 square meter campus is well equipped with a wide selection of training aircraft, including a Cessna Citation II jet, as well as repair shops and classrooms.

Manitoba is home to the third-largest aerospace sector in Canada – and Red River College’s Stevenson Aviation & Aerospace Campus is an active partner, training its workforce to participate in all aspects of the aviation and aerospace sector.

Their graduates are found throughout the industry – overhauling aircraft engines, maintaining aircraft, building components, or in management positions such as Directors of Maintenance and Quality Assurance.

This program is the only one of its kind in Canada, offering an apprenticeship learning atmosphere. Employers send their employees to Southport from across Canada to learn the hands-on training they need to become licensed Aircraft Maintenance Engineers (AMEs).

RRC Stevenson students take advantage of the Mynarski House for accommodations, food services at Voyageur Place and Central Plains RecPlex for recreation during their stay at Southport.

## Southern Health - Santé Sud

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Southern Health–Santé Sud offers a wide range of health care opportunities to its more than 5,600 employees who collaborate to deliver a full continuum of programs, services, and community health. Southern Health’s head office is located in the Southport Building where approximately 80 of their employees are located. They are proud to partner with the many communities in our region in delivering quality health care.

One of the five Regional Health Authorities in the province, Southern Health – Santé Sud spreads over 27,025 km<sup>2</sup> with 20 Rural Municipalities, 7 Municipalities, 4 cities, 4 towns, and 1 village. Southern Health – Santé Sud is home to several Indigenous communities, Hutterite colonies, many Francophone communities, a growing, large Mennonite population, as well as many other cultures. As a progressive and responsive designated bilingual health authority, they are proud to serve approximately 190,000 residents – the fastest growing population in Manitoba.

# Indigenous Commitment

Southport is located on the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dene, and Dakota Peoples, and is the birthplace and homeland of the Métis Nation.

Southport is committed to strengthening its growing relationship with the Indigenous community through an acknowledgment of the harms of the past, and through a commitment to ongoing reconciliation, cooperation, respect, and partnership. The history of the land that Southport is located on will forever be part of its future, be it the comparatively recent history of Military Flight Training, or the origins of the Indigenous heritage that this land holds.

## Indigenous Commitments:

- Commitment to Indigenous Employment
  - 5% Minimum
- Corporate Social Responsibility Plan, in which Southport contributes 1% of its annual revenues to community fundraisers, charities, and events
  - Indigenous Content - 5% Minimum
  - Annual Indigenous Scholarships
- Southport Interpretive Park

The Southport Interpretive Park is located at the gate of the commercial district of Southport and is home to the 4 Winds Cultural Centre that pays homage to the Indigenous Heritage of the lands on which Southport operates. The cultural centre will include a Sweat Lodge, Tipi, Picnic Shelter, and a large field for cultural ceremonies and celebrations. The facilities are supplied and provided for community-use to symbolize our commitment to Indigenous collaboration today, and for tomorrow.



# Local Attributes & Economic Impact

## Local Attributes

Located in the centre of Manitoba, just 3km south of Portage la Prairie, Southport offers residents quiet country living just minutes from the city of Portage, and only a short 60-minute drive from Winnipeg, the province's capital. Southport is 88km west of the Winnipeg James Armstrong Richardson International Airport. Southport is also in close proximity to a number of key DND and other relevant/complementary operations such as:

- 17 Wing Winnipeg (1 and 2 Canadian Air Divisions, Air Force Training Centre, 402 Squadron, and 435 Squadron)
- Air Force Training Centre – 1 Canadian Forces Flying Training School
- Canadian Forces Base Shilo
- Various Army, Navy and Air Cadet units in Manitoba
- University of Manitoba – The Faculty of Mechanical Engineering has a strong aerospace option. Mechanical engineers can also study manufacturing engineering courses, or choose to specialize in the aerospace option, where courses include aerodynamics, propulsion systems, avionics, aircraft performance, and aerospace materials.
- Minot, North Dakota US Air Force Base – Minot AFB is the home of two major wings: the 5th Bomb Wing and 91st Missile Wing, both of the Global Strike Command (AFGSC)
- Grand Forks, North Dakota US Air Force Base – Grand Forks AFB is the home of the Air Mobility Command's (AMC) 319th Air Base Wing (319 ABW). The 319 ABW is organized into two distinct groups: Mission Support and Medical. Grand Sky, a commercial UAS business and aviation park, is also located adjacent to the Grand Forks Air Force Base.
- Grand Forks North Dakota is also home to the John. D Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences and the Department of Aviation. Among the most comprehensive collegiate programs, the John D. Odegard school of Aerospace Sciences is recognized around the world for academic excellence. Since 1968, their mission has been to shape the future of the aerospace industry by providing the best possible education and training available.

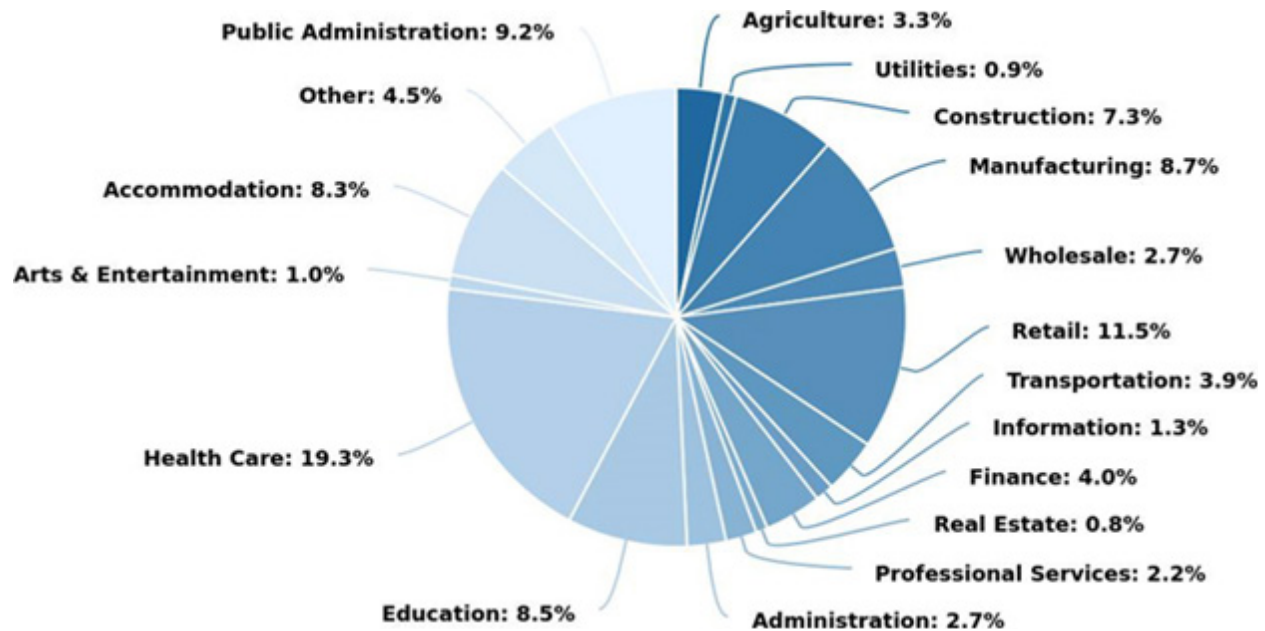
Southport is also in close vicinity to several First Nations communities, providing unique collaboration opportunities:

- Dakota Plains First Nation
- Long Plain First Nation
- Sandy Bay First Nation
- Dakota Tipi First Nation
- Swan Lake First Nation



## Local Attributes

Portage la Prairie is a major service centre for the Central Plains region of Manitoba, located in one of the most productive agricultural zones in Canada, containing regional government offices, retail and distribution services and has proven to be a sound investment for manufacturing and processing for export-driven companies



## Other Local Attractions

### Delta Beach

Delta Beach is a community of approximately 200 homes located on the south rim of Lake Manitoba that features sandy beaches and a campground. Lake Manitoba is Canada's thirteenth largest lake (4,624 km) and the world's 33rd largest freshwater lake.

### Fort la Reine Museum

Fort la Reine Museum celebrates the heritage of the prairies, and the history of Portage la Prairie, with more than 25 different historical buildings in a 5-acre setting with thousands of artifacts to explore.

### Portage Golf Club

Portage Golf Club is a scenic 18-hole golf course located on Island Park in Portage la Prairie. The course features mature trees, bunkers and ponds, and is perfect for all skill levels. The fully-licensed clubhouse also offers power and pull cart rentals to make your round of golf even more relaxing.

## Prairie Fusion Arts & Entertainment

Prairie Fusion Arts & Entertainment offers live entertainment (music, theatre, comedy, performing arts), an art gallery, gift shop, dance studio, pottery studio, classrooms, an art library, and often features local talent.


## Rotary Republic Park

Rotary Republic Park offers 70 acres of outdoor recreational facilities featuring ball diamonds, a football/rugby field, soccer and mini soccer pitches, beach volleyball courts and a batting cage.

## Stride Place

Stride Place is a community recreation facility that features two full-sized hockey rinks, a fitness centre and an indoor pool. Surrounding Stride Place is Island Park, which features a splash pad and water park, walking paths, picnic areas, tennis courts, a disc-golf course and more.

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