



Robert Auclair Biography

Robert Auclair is a member of the Whapmagoostui First Nation, Cree Nation of Eeyou Istchee in Northern Quebec. He is a status First Nation Cree and a Cree beneficiary of the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement of 1975.

Robert has been married to his wife Arnaituk for 11 years and have been together for 16 years. They have two children, Walker 7, and Ivy 4. Robert has three older sons, Jayden 18 who has autism, Justis 19 and River-Hunter 23.

Robert is currently the Business Development Officer for CREECO (Cree Regional Economic Enterprises Company 1982). It is a wholly owned indigenous holding company that manages other successful Cree businesses such as Air Creebec 1985, Cree Construction 1977, Gestion ADC 1996, Valpiro, Quality Inn & Suites Val d'Or 2011 and Eeyou Eenou Realty Properties.

CREECO also manages a public insurance collectible/deductible program for certain Cree Nation community assets such as infrastructure, housing, public buildings, and public vehicles. The Board of Compensation (the business arm of the Cree Nation Government) also manages long term investment funds in the stock market.

Robert is a former Director of Youth Protection/Provincial Director for the Cree Health Board from 2009-2019 and a former Police Officer/Senior Officer/Investigator, career that spanned 15 years. Robert has served in several other capacities, all in the service of his people, the Eeyou (the People) of Eeyou Istchee (the land of the People). Robert was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the Cree Health Board this past February 2023.

Robert is a graduate from Dawson College and a graduate of an A.E.C. in Police Technology from John Abbott College. Robert received his bachelor's from Concordia University. In 2015, he received a Leadership Certificate from the Institute of Leadership from John Molson School of Business.

In 2019, Robert obtained a Graduate Diploma in Health and Social Services Management from McGill University. Robert recently obtained an Executive master's in business administration 2022 through a joint bilingual program at McGill University and HEC (Hautes Etudes Commerciales) Montreal. He was a recipient of the Indigenous candidate grant.