

Bloodvein Indian Reserve No. 12 is located 193 air kilometres north of Winnipeg on the east shore of Lake Winnipeg, directly north of Bloodvein River. The community is situated along three kilometres of shoreline at the mouth of the river.

## History

The First Nation is signatory to Treaty 5 signed in 1875.

## Language

The native language is Ojibway.

## Reserve

Bloodvein I.R. No. 12  
Area: 4,016 acres (1,625 hectares)

## Population

According to the regional population statistics of Dec. 2003, the First Nation has an on-reserve population of 793 and an off-reserve population of 484. The total First Nation population is 1277.

## First Nation Government

The Chief of Bloodvein First Nation is William Young.

Councillors are Dwayne Bushie, Linda Ford, Frank Young, Louis Young.

The Chief and Council were elected by Order-in-Council (1996-643) on May 23, 2002. The First Nation officials normally serve a two-year term.

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## Land Entitlement Status

The First Nation has an outstanding treaty land entitlement.

## Education

Members attend the Miskoosepi School on-reserve operated by the First Nation. The school offers levels K4-S1 (Grade 9). The total First Nation student enrolment at the school is 215. First Nation members may attend schools off-reserve.

The Southeast Resource Development Council administers PHP students on behalf of the First Nation. The total SERDC PHP student enrolment for 2003-2004 is 262.

## Health Care

Bloodvein Nursing Station  
First Nations and Inuit  
Health Branch  
Health Canada  
Bloodvein, MB R0C 0J0

Phone: (204) 395-2161  
Fax: (204) 395-2087

There are two nurses at the nursing station located on-reserve.

The nearest hospital is in Hodgson. There is a dental station at the nearby Peguis First Nation.

## Child and Family Services

Southeast Child and Family Services Inc.  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor · 360 Broadway Ave  
Winnipeg, MB R3C 0T6

Phone: (204) 947-0011  
Fax: (204) 947-0009

Bloodvein Field Office  
Southeast Child and Family Services Inc.  
Bloodvein, MB  
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Phone: (204) 395-2476  
Fax: (204) 395-2190

The head office is located in Winnipeg and the Director is Burma Bushie.

The agency was mandated in April 1983 and serves nine First Nations.

## Infrastructure

### Water Supply:

The community obtains water from the Bloodvein River. The water is treated and distributed to the community through either a piped distribution or trucked delivery system. There are 80 houses that have piped service; 52 houses have cisterns, and 3 houses have water barrels.

### Sewage Disposal:

Eighty homes in the community are served by a piped sewage collection system and 52 homes have trucked sewage pumped from holding tanks. The sewage is treated with a two cell sewage lagoon which is discharged through an effluent force main to an area south of the lagoon.

### Garbage Disposal:

There is a landfill site located in the community.

### Roads:

There is no permanent access road to the community, although a winter road constructed annually provides access from Pine Dock on the west side of Lake Winnipeg. Pine Dock is accessible by all weather road via highway #234. There are approximately nine kilometres of internal roads in Bloodvein.

### Electrical Service:

Service is provided by land line.

### Postal Service:

Three times a week from Winnipeg, service provided by Northway Aviation.

### Police Protection:

The nearest RCMP detachment is in Selkirk. The First Nation employs one First Nation constable.

RCMP  
Selkirk: (204) 482-3322  
Bloodvein

Patrol Cabin: (204) 395-2020

### Fire Protection:

The First Nation has limited fire fighting capabilities. The First Nation purchased a fire pumper truck in the summer of 1996.

## Communications

The First Nation receives radio from Winnipeg stations and the Interlake area.

Telephone service is provided with a single-party exchange.

## Transportation

There is a 3,000 foot gravel airstrip maintained in the community. A ferry/barge service (39 passenger vehicle) is operated by the Marine Division of the Department of Highways.. The ferry/barge is used during the summer months.

## Resource, Economic and Employment Development

### Economic Base:

Commercial fishing and trapping.

## Commercial and Business Services

-Bloodvein Princess Harbour Fisheries Co-op Ltd.  
-Frank and Son's Store/video rentals  
-School bus  
-Bloodvein Arena

-Keller and Sons grocery store  
-Mikisi Towing  
-Mikisi Gas Bar and Convenience Store