

Nibinamik First Nation Community Profile



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PTO: Nishnawbe-Aski Nation
TC: Matawa First Nations Management

Population: 382
On Reserve: 319 Off Reserve: 59

CONTACT INFORMATION

Nibinamik First nation
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OVERVIEW



Nibinamik First Nation

ACCESSIBILITY

Accessible by	YES	NO
Road		X
Road – winter	X	
Air	X	
Boat		X

Nibinamik is an isolated community located 390 km north of Sioux Lookout, 530 km north of Thunder Bay, 370 km northeast of Red Lake and 655 km northeast of Winnipeg.

The remote community of Nibinamik is accessible by air transportation. An airport and gravel runway is situated 3.6 km from the community for regular skid and charter flights, provided by North American Charters (NAC 2000) and Wasaya Airlines. Alternate options include floatplanes and the winter road, which was constructed for tractor-trailers and other vehicles bringing in supplies and heavy equipment. Personal transportation within the community is conducted by boat and ATV during spring and summer and by ski-doo, snowshoe and skis during the winter season.

LANGUAGES

Linguistic Affiliation: English
Mother Tongue: Ojibway

GOVERNANCE

Election System	YES	NO
Electoral	X	
Term of office: 2 years		

ELECTORAL RIDINGS

(F) Cochrane - Superior

(P) Lake Nipigon

Nibinamik Chief and Council

TITLE
Chief
Councillor
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Nibinamik First Nation Band Staff List

TITLE
Executive Secretary
Band Administrator
Employment Counsellor
Receptionist
Administration Clerk
Power Authority
Bookkeeping
Finance Controller
Custodian
Broadband Computer Tech
Band Office
Maintenance Worker
Economic Development Resource Worker
Lands and Resources Manager
Power Plant Operator
Assistant Power Plant Operator
Water Plant Operator
Water Plant Operator

COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE

<u>BASIC</u>	YES	NO	COMMENTS
Electricity	X		Nibinamik Power Authority
Water	X		1 Well
Sewage			
Solid Waste Disposal	X		Dump
<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>			
Canada Post	X		Twice weekly
Telephone	X		
Radio - local	X		
Cable	X		Satellite
Internet	X		
Newspaper			

Housing

Water and sewer infrastructure is present in the community with 90% of homes having piped water and flush toilets. Water supply is not delivered by truck. There are no standpipes in use in the community but there is a functioning well. Electricity is available to 98% of the homes in the community.

Communications

Communication media consist of telephone, radio, cable/satellite television, postal and Internet services. 90% of homes have a telephone, 70% have television and 0% has home Internet access.

Sanitation

There is no formal trucked garbage disposal system but there is a dump that is maintained by the community. Processes for the removal of large items and hazardous materials are not in place. The community indicates there are environmental problems involving the dump.

Public Safety

Nibinamik has not developed a community emergency plan. There are 5 security personnel and 2 NAPS/OPP police constables.

COMMUNITY RECREATION FACILITIES

Community Recreation Facilities	YES	NO	Stats & Condition
Arena	X		- Indoor - Real ice- new, - Very good condition
Community Hall	X		- In poor condition
Gymnasium	X		- available after hours & weekends
Playground	X		
Sports Field	X		- Baseball, broomball, hockey, volleyball - Needs improvement
Pow-Wow Grounds	X		- Once per year
Recreation Trails	X		
Beach		X	

EDUCATION

The local school system offers education for students up to Grade 10 and further high school education must be obtained outside the community. There are one hundred (100) students enrolled in the community school. The community does not keep records of post secondary education achieved by its' members. Northern Nishinawbe Education Council (NNEC) has kept records of post secondary education since 1995 but this data is not readily available by community.

Matawa Employment & Training

Matawa Employment & Training (MET) is a new division of Matawa First Nations Management. Located at the Matawa First Nations Management office in Thunder Bay, our goal is to help Matawa First Nation people of all ages to achieve their personal career goals through improved access to employment and training initiatives.

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MET Department Staff:

Administrator/ Coordinator

Community Development Officer

Program Assistant

Band Economic Development Officer

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HEALTH

The community of Nibinamik has a nursing station, which is staffed with 2 full time nurses, 1 referral clerk, 1 housekeeper and 1 caretaker.

PROGRAM	YES	NO
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CHR	X	
NNADAP	X	
BHC	X	
Mental Health	X	
Home & Community Care	X	
Patient Transportation	X	

In addition to these programs, Nibinamik First Nation also receives services from a visiting doctor, optometrist and dentist.

Nibinamik First Nation Health & Social Development Department Employee Chart

Administration	
	Director of Health & Social Services
	Health Administrative Assistant
Health	
	Community Health Nurse (FNIHB)
	Community Health Representative
	Community Health Representative (Trainee)
Home & Community Care	
	Home & Community Case Manager
	Home & Community Nurse
	Person Attendant
	Person Attendant
	Home Support Worker
Medical Transportation	
	Driver
	After-hour Driver
	On-Call Driver
	Supervisor/Security
	Security
	On-Call Security
Social Development	
	Social Welfare Assistance Administrator
	Nibinamik Family Resource

	Coordinator
	Healthy Babies Healthy Children/NFR Assistant
	ECD Child Care Worker Assistant
Child & Family Services	
	Child & Family Services Worker
	Child & Family Services Worker
Family Activities	
	Youth Worker
	Family Outreach Resource Worker
Community Addictions Program	
	NNADAP – Addictions Worker
Community Wellness Program	
	Case Management / Community Liaison Worker
	Mental Health Worker
	Therapist
Crisis Coordination Program	
	Crisis Intervention Worker – Crisis Team
	Youth Patrol Coordinator
Janitorial / Support Staff	
	Receptionist / Referral Clerk
	Custodian
	Housekeeper
	Part-time Janitor – HCCP/TIK

Nishnawbe-Aski Police Service

- NAPS is the largest First Nations police service in Canada
- NAPS is the 2nd largest First Nations police service in North America
- NAPS polices 35 communities across the NAN territory which encompasses nearly 2/3 of the Province of Ontario. Thunder Bay to Hudson's Bay; Manitoba to Quebec.
- NAPS' officers are sworn Constables with authority throughout the Province of Ontario.

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- There are several tribal affiliations within NAN which result in 3 distinct languages including: Ojibwe, Oji-Cree and Cree.
- NAPS has operation linkages to federal, provincial and municipal police services

Commercial Businesses

Nibinamik Power Authority, Nibinamik Fly-In Camp, Wigwascence Fly-In Camps, Nibinamik community Store, Summer Beaver Gas Service, Timmins Wabasse Convenience Store, Anik's Store, Nibinamik Fur Trading Co, Local Crafts people, Fish Basket Camp, Nibinamik Taxi Service, Amik Construction, Laundromat Service, Crossroots Video and Amik Lodge.

SPIRITUAL SERVICES

There is an Anglican Church of Canada with one service on Sunday at 10 am and Sunday school at 1 pm. All services are conducted in the Native Language.

St. Barnabas Church
Simon Beaver

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COMMUNITY HISTORY

The community of Nibinamik First Nation, also known as Summer Beaver, was established in 1975 as an offshoot of Lansdowne House First Nation which is now more commonly known as Nibinamik First Nation. By 1976, more people made the move to the community building log homes, and a community hall for meetings, feasts, dances and storage facilities for gasoline. They had also acquired a variety of undertakings and ventures such as a store, band office and a school. Summer Beaver had also attracted a certain amount of government attention and a medium for funding, primarily for housing.