



Blood Tribe Community Mapping and GIS Platform Development Project

In 2022, the Blood Tribe Administration and partnering departments launched a project to develop an addressing system on the Nation, with the goal of enhancing emergency services delivery to community members. First responders and emergency services have experienced challenges reaching those in need due to a lack of house numbers, road signage, and up-to-date mapping. The Blood Tribe Community Mapping and GIS Platform Development Project was developed by the Nation administration to help address these issues.

Blood Tribe Land Management, in collaboration with Blood Tribe Housing, has hosted four community and Elder engagement events between February 2023 and January 2024. These sessions presented information about the project and provided an opportunity for community members to give their input on the naming of major Nation roads. Elders helped to determine traditional Blackfoot names and spellings. The project team would like to thank the community for their time and input into this process.

Blood Tribe Housing has also developed a rural house numbering system, which will provide each home on the Nation with a unique number. This will help emergency services to quickly find callers in need of support. A mapping system is also being developed to help Blood Tribe Police and Blood Tribe Emergency Services prepare for and respond to emergency and disaster events.

The project team has presented the work completed thus far to Chief and Council in June 2024, and the project will enter the field work stage through summer 2024. Further details will be provided regarding any work occurring in your area.

We would like to thank the community for their participation and interest in the project so far. If you have any questions, please contact the Blood Tribe Land Management Office at 403-737-8151.

