

HISTORY: The original Bloods were formed in the early 1970's to provide protection from the CriC'ps street gang in Los Angeles, CA.

"Bloods", a universal term used to identify both the West Coast Bloods and the United Blood Nation (UBN). While these groups are traditionally distinct entities, as they both identify themselves as "Blood".

The United Blood Nation (UBN) is an East Coast entity which started in 1993 in New York City.

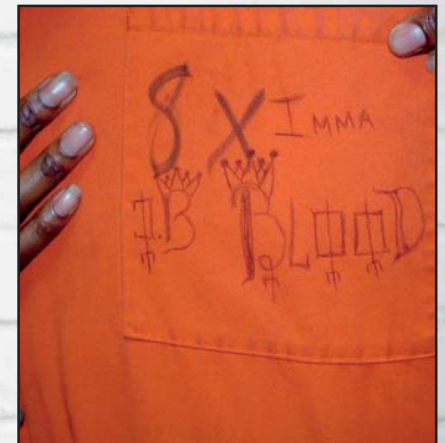
MEMBERSHIP/HIERARCHY: Each set of the Bloods has its own leadership, although some Blood sets have been known to coordinate criminal activities for different sets across states.

LOCATION: Blood sets have been identified throughout NC.

CRIMINAL ACTIVITY: The Bloods main source of income is from the distribution of drugs. However, gang members have been known to be involved in robberies, auto theft, prostitution, homicide, drive-bys and money laundering.

GANG IDENTIFIERS:

- The five-pointed star in tattoos or graffiti showing affiliation to the People Nation.
- "Damu" meaning 'Blood' in Swahili in graffiti, tattoos and other forms of communication.
- Burn marks in the shape of a dog paw
- **Colors:** Red, and wearing apparel of professional teams such as the Philadelphia Phillies, San Francisco 49ers, and the Chicago Bulls.



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