

**Kivalina** (Population: 349)

Kivalina is located at the tip of an 8-mile barrier reef between the Chukchi Sea and Kivalina River. It has long been a resting-place for seasonal travelers between arctic coastal areas and Kotzebue Sound communities. However, due to continuing erosion, the community is planning on relocating to a new site seven miles away. It is a traditional Eskimo community dependent on subsistence hunting, fishing and whaling. The native craft industry is expanding, with carvings and jewelry produced from ivory and caribou hooves. The nearby Red-Dog mine, also offers employment. There are no roads outside the village. Kivalina is accessed by boat, airplane or snowmobile.