

Snohomish County Executive
AARON REARDON



Priorities in Action



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 **Snohomish County assists state prison overcrowding**

Governor Gregoire, Snohomish County Executive Aaron Reardon and Department of Corrections (DOC) Secretary Harold Clarke have reached agreement to address overcrowding in DOC facilities by temporarily housing DOC community custody violators in Snohomish County corrections facilities.

Last week, Executive Reardon proposed to the Governor activation of the Snohomish County corrections facility known as the Ridge to assist DOC's management of increasing numbers of community custody violators following DOC's release of 83 offenders from King County jails.

"Making sure Washingtonians are safe is one of my top priorities, so I am very pleased we were able to work with Snohomish County to develop this plan," said Governor Gregoire. "Clearly, Executive Reardon shares my priorities and I am grateful to him for his partnership and willingness to assist."

Reardon said, "The plan responds to public concern for community safety, agency collaboration and, makes a more prudent investment of state taxpayer dollars in local operations as opposed to continued out-of-state corrections expenses."

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The SnoStat system tracks how well the County is delivering services, the costs of those services, and the efficiency and effectiveness of service delivery.

Simply visit our [SnoStat website](#).

Spring 2007 Parks Guide available now!

Snohomish County is home to over 100 wonderful parks and recreation facilities spanning nearly 10,000 acres. Snohomish County and the Parks Department team have been diligently working to make these resources more accessible to the residents of our community.

The quarterly Parks newsletter is available now – for the first time online. The newsletter contains Parks news and updates, as well as a schedule of upcoming activities, classes and events. For all this information and more please visit www.snoco.org and search “parks.”

Get Out... Get Away... at a Snohomish County Park!

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Snohomish County celebrates 20 years

On March 16, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Snohomish County (BBBS) celebrates their incorporation as a non-profit organization in Snohomish County. Big Brothers Big Sisters has provided twenty-years of one-to-one mentoring relationships for thousands of youth in our community. In recognition of the continued efforts of BBBS, Executive Reardon proclaimed the month of January as “Snohomish County Mentoring Month.”

“Big Brothers Big Sisters has provided a tremendous program to the youth of our community over that past 20 years,” says Executive Reardon. “They recognize that children are our community’s most valuable resource and have worked to provide a safe, healthy environment for our children to thrive in.”

BBBS was founded through the support, passion and advocacy of our community leaders. In its first year BBBS made 6 matches and in 2007, 550 child/volunteer matches are anticipated. Traditional one-to-one community-based mentoring programs and school-based mentoring programs are the foundation of our organization.

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Sincerely,



Aaron Reardon

Snohomish County is recognized as a BBBS Partner through the participation of 6 employees as mentors. Partners join with the agency for the benefit of children to achieve a shared vision of a brighter future.

To learn more please visit [BBBS online](#)

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