

Snohomish County Executive
AARON REARDON



Priorities in Action



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Happy New Year From the Reardon family

*We wish you all a cheerful and bright New Year from our
family to yours,
Aaron, Kate and children*

Funding helps county fight homelessness

Nine Snohomish County nonprofits serving the homeless will celebrate the holidays by sharing more than \$4 million in federal funding.

The grants are part of \$36.7 million recently issued by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to 185 homeless programs in Washington State.

Each of the organizations is supported in part by Snohomish County and helps the county further its mission to end homelessness. Among those receiving funds is the YWCA of Seattle-King County-Snohomish County with more than \$2.5 million.

“Snohomish County is working hard to end homelessness, so it’s exciting to learn that agencies working with us are the recipients of such funding,” said County Executive Aaron

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Reardon. "If our plan is to find permanent housing for families and individuals in this county, then we must work together to accomplish that goal."

Only the King County-Seattle area received more funding than Snohomish County, demonstrating how well the agencies here work together to assist those in need, Reardon said.

"It's a testament to the service that these organizations provide," Reardon said. "During this holiday season, this pot of money is welcome news."

Also receiving funding is Housing Hope (\$356,000), Compass Health (\$312,000), Cocoon House (\$164,000), the Salvation Army (\$175,000), Archdiocesan Housing Authority (\$162,000), the Snohomish County Center for Battered Women (\$109,000), Catholic Community Services (\$106,000), and the Volunteers of America Western Washington (\$74,000).

Each agency is a partner in the county's 10-year "Everyone at Home Now" plan to end homelessness started in 2006. One of the ways it accomplishes this goal is through the annual Point in Time count, which measures homelessness in Snohomish County. The next count will be held Jan. 24, 2008.

Volunteers help make this annual count successful, and Snohomish County is now gathering names of those who wish to participate.

To volunteer for the annual count, please contact Sola Plumacher at (425) 388-7289.

For more information about the "Everyone at Home Now," go to:

www.snoco.org and search "Everyone at Home."

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Or, [send me an email](#).

And please be sure to
[visit me on the web!](#)

Sincerely,



Aaron Reardon

UDC Update Project: January forum and 2008 public forum schedule

Snohomish County's Unified Development Code (UDC) public forums will be held the **first Thursday of each month** throughout 2008 at both **9 a.m. and 6 p.m.** (Please note: exceptions include January and July, when meetings will be held the second Thursday due to the New Year and 4th of July holidays.)

Next forum: Thursday, January 10, 2008, 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Where: Snohomish County Campus
Administration Building East, Meeting Room 1
3000 Rockefeller Avenue, Everett

Topic: Transfer of Development Rights (TDR)
Overview

Background: A countywide transfer-of-development-rights program is proposed to conserve all commercially designated agricultural land in Snohomish County.

Who's affected: Owners of commercial-agricultural land, anyone who works with or within the agricultural industry, areas slated for development and where development could occur, land owners, service providers, developers, real-estate agents, environmentalists, county agencies.

Discussion outcome: Planners will provide a summary of the program followed by a Q&A. Draft codes are expected to be proposed after the policy adoption this spring.

2008 Meeting Dates (Thursdays, 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.):

Where: Snohomish County Campus
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3000 Rockefeller Avenue, Everett

- January 10
- February 7
- March 6
- April 3
- May 1

- June 5
- July 10
- August 7
- September 4
- October 2
- November 6
- December 4

FEMA offers residents flooding help

The Federal Emergency Management Agency has added Snohomish County to its recent Individual Assistance disaster declaration for the December 2007 storm and floods, providing funding and support for residents suffering personal property damages.

FEMA and state representatives recently toured Snohomish County with the Department of Emergency Management and Emergency Services Coordinating Agency staff, assessing damage totals. As a result, county residents with damages now are able to apply for assistance. Typically, FEMA provides a variety of supplemental assistance programs.

FEMA has set up a toll-free number (1-800-621-FEMA) so that individuals and households may begin to apply for assistance immediately. Residents also may register online at www.fema.gov.

For more information on the FEMA process, call DEM at 425-388-5060.

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