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**Reardon to deliver ‘State of the County’  
address at South Snohomish County  
Chamber of Commerce luncheon  
Wednesday, March 9**

- **Who:** Snohomish County Executive Aaron Reardon
- **What:** The 2005 ‘State of the County’ address
- **When:** Noon  
Wednesday, March 9
- **Where:** South Snohomish County Chamber of Commerce  
Embassy Suites Hotel  
20610 44<sup>th</sup> Ave. W.  
Lynnwood, WA

*The Puget Sound Business Journal* recently wrote that 2004 was a year characterized by the decisive actions of key leaders spanning every industry and every community: “Leaders like Aaron Reardon, the 34-year-old Snohomish County Executive who burst onto the scene with an aggressive pursuit of government efficiency . . .”

Executive Reardon will present his 2005 “State of the County” address to the South Snohomish County Chamber of Commerce, a speech that will set the tone for his administration’s second year. In 2004, Executive Reardon produced a budget without tax increases that nonetheless closed a \$16 million budget gap.

Executive Reardon won praise from the president of the Washington Roundtable for using Priority-based Budgeting, which focused on results citizens wanted from government. He called Snohomish County “a showcase for other county and city governments” and urged other leaders to adopt the budgeting method.

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