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## Reardon names Martha Robins Executive Office Administrator

Responsibilities include priorities-based budget initiative,  
SnoStat and economic development

Snohomish County Executive Aaron Reardon today announced the appointment of Martha Robins as Executive Office Administrator.

Robins, a Major in the U.S. Army Reserve, joins the Reardon administration after a year of active duty at Ft. Lewis in Pierce County, where her unit was involved in preparing the Washington National Guard's 81<sup>st</sup> Armored Brigade for deployment to Iraq. Before her call-up, Robins was facilities commander of the King County Jail in Seattle, overseeing a staff of 500 corrections personnel and more than 1,500 inmates.

Robins' appointment rounds out the Reardon administration's top four executive-level positions.

"Martha brings to my team a proven ability to motivate people and manage complex projects," Reardon said. "She is going to be involved in three of the most important initiatives that my administration is undertaking – our priorities-based budget process, SnoStat and economic development.

"Martha is results oriented. I said in my recent State of the County Address that I want to make Snohomish County the most effective service delivery system in the entire nation. She will be a key player in helping us achieve that goal."

Robins said she agreed to take the Executive Administrator's position because she is excited by the challenge of working on initiatives that will change the way government delivers services.

"The Reardon administration is doing things that are on the cutting edge of government reform," Robins said. "We are being given the opportunity to lay the foundation for Snohomish County's future, and I am thrilled to be a part of it."

In Reardon's State of the County Address delivered to the Snohomish County Council last month, the Executive outlined three priorities for his administration.

Reardon called for instituting priorities-based budgeting so the County's annual spending plan focuses on the delivery of quality services and provides long-term fiscal solvency. The Executive announced SnoStat, an on-line information source where citizens can learn if Snohomish County government is achieving its benchmarks. In addition, he unveiled his Citizens Cabinet, a group of volunteers representing a cross-section of the County who will write a business plan for economic development.

Robins was named facilities commander of the King County Jail in May, 2000. Before that, she held a variety of positions in the King County Department of Adult & Juvenile Detention during a 17-year career in corrections. Robins has a Masters degree in Public Administration from Seattle University and graduated from the University of Washington with a degree in Society and Justice. She also has a psychology degree from St. Martin's College.

Robins enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1981. She was commissioned as an officer in 1987 and is currently enrolled in a military leadership course at the Command and General Staff College at Ft. Lewis.

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