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## **Snoqualmie Mayor Matt Larson Elected President of Sound Cities Association**

The Sound City Association (SCA) Board elected Snoqualmie Mayor Matt Larson to serve as its 2015 President. SCA represents 36 cities in King County, Washington, and provides a regional voice for nearly one million people.

“Mayor Larson’s experience as an outstanding regional leader combined with his strong communication skills will continue to strengthen SCA as we build partnerships to build long-term community and economic prosperity for our region and state,” said SCA Executive Director Deanna Dawson.

“SCA had tremendous success in 2014 addressing our region’s top issues including fiscal responsibility, transportation, community development and environmental sustainability,” said Mayor Larson. “I look forward to building on our record of success of being a powerful regional voice for cities such as Snoqualmie.”

Mayor Larson said SCA provides a voice for King County cities under 150,000 people in population through leadership in areas such as economic and community development, transportation, land use, health, government operations, the environment, education, public safety, social welfare and other public policy issues.

“SCA gives our cities a strong regional voice, provides members an opportunity to connect and network, and offers tremendous tools to learn what other cities are doing,” said Mayor Larson.

Mayor Matt Larson is currently serving his third term as Snoqualmie's mayor. He has held many offices in Snoqualmie in the past including Mayor Pro-Tem, City Council member, chair of the Planning Commission, and Parks Board member.

As an Advanced Certified Municipal Leader -- a certification earned through the Association of Washington Cities -- Mayor Larson enjoys serving in leadership roles in local and regional capacities. For two years he held the position of president of the Snoqualmie Valley Governments Association. He also currently serves on the King County Flood Control District Advisory Board. Mayor Larson was named the 2012 Elected Official of the Year by the Alliance of Eastside Agencies, an association of more than 50 health and human-services organizations and governments serving East King County.

SCA, which was formerly known as the Suburban Cities Association, was established more than 40 years ago to help King County cities act locally and partner regionally to create vital and thriving communities through advocacy, education, leadership, mutual support and networking.

For more information, please visit [www.SoundCities.org](http://www.SoundCities.org).

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