



## **Tobacco Free Task Force**

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Dear Students, Faculty and Staff,

In February, President Sundborg wrote to inform you that Seattle University had decided to become a tobacco-free campus, effective July 1, 2015. As that date approaches, I want to update you on the efforts to prepare for the transition.

The Tobacco Free Task Force, whose members are listed below, is leading the efforts. Among other work, the task force has created a written policy to guide the university community in becoming a tobacco free campus. The policy and frequently asked questions can be reviewed at [www.seattleu.edu/TobaccoFree](http://www.seattleu.edu/TobaccoFree). Soon we will also post additional cessation resources for tobacco users who are interested in quitting.

As we approach July 1, the task force and other campus partners are working to communicate the change in policy to our community members and those who come onto our campus as visitors. Efforts are also underway to explore how we promote the safety of those who continue to use tobacco products as well as opportunities to provide further support and resources for people interested in quitting.

We will continue to update you as the university moves forward in being a tobacco free campus. If you have any questions on the transition, please contact me or other members of the task force at [TobaccoFree@seattleu.edu](mailto:TobaccoFree@seattleu.edu).

Sincerely,

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