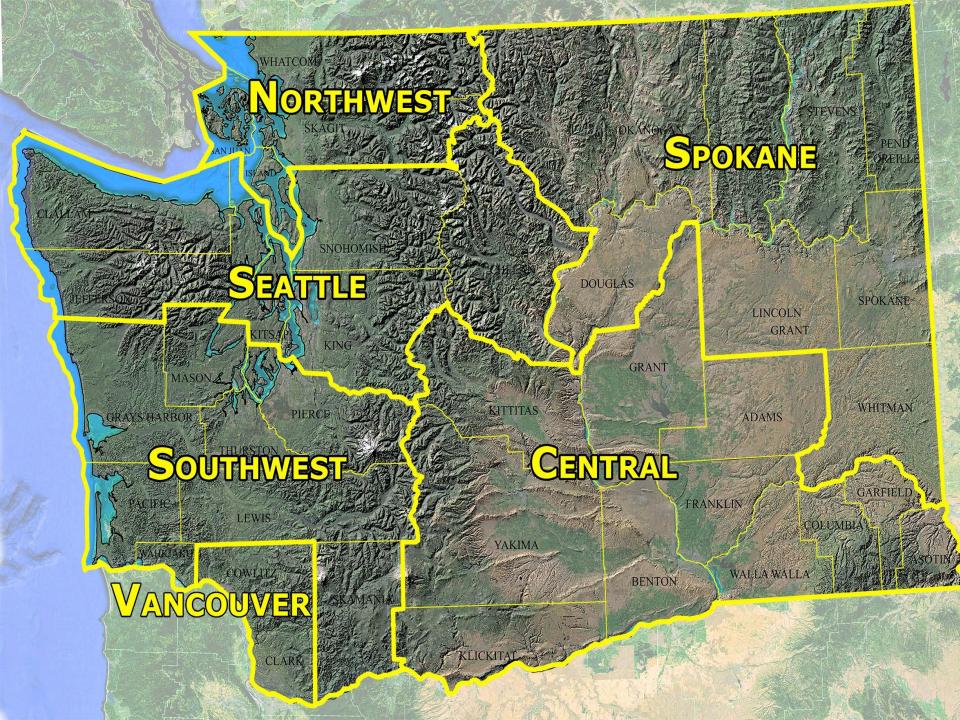


# Component Restructuring:

AIA in Washington State

Lisa Richmond

**AIA Seattle** 



## AIA Washington Council 2015

6 chapters

Largest = 2,000 members

Smallest = 30 members

80% of members in the largest chapter





# AIA Washington Council 2015

17 board members

Equal reps from each chapter

Separate executive team





#### Member Experience 2015

AIA Seattle programs, communication, advocacy

AIA Wa Council programs, communication, advocacy

AIA Northwest Pacific programs, communication

AIA National programs, communication, advocacy





## Leader Experience 2015

One individual =

**AIA Seattle President** 

AIA Washington Council Board Member

AIA Northwest and Pacific Region Board Member

Represents chapter at Grassroots, Annual Meeting, Big Sibs





## Challenges

Ineffective advocacy

**Duplication** 

Market confusion

Over-communication

Leader burnout

Inconsistency

Waste





# Goals of Restructuring

Effective advocacy

Clear mission

Reduced dues

Streamline

Consistent member experience

Relieve leadership burden

State gets dedicated leadership





#### Process

Grant

Facilitated discussion

Task force

Negotiation

Board discussion

Annual meeting and vote

Continued adjustment





#### Big Moves: State

Focused mission

Consolidation

Smaller board

Dedicated leadership

**Government Affairs Council** 

Relocation

Shared staffing

Lower dues



#### Big Moves: Seattle

**Advocate Director** 

Section formation

Steering committee

**Board position** 

Separate budget





#### Revenue

10% to state

Remainder by population



# AIA in Washington State, 2016

4 chapters

Largest = 2,300 members

Smallest = 50 members

80% of members in the largest chapter





# AIA Washington Council 2016

- 8 member Board of Directors
- 4 Seattle
- 2 Southwest
- 1 Spokane
- 1 Central

Executive team elected from within the board





## Member Experience 2016

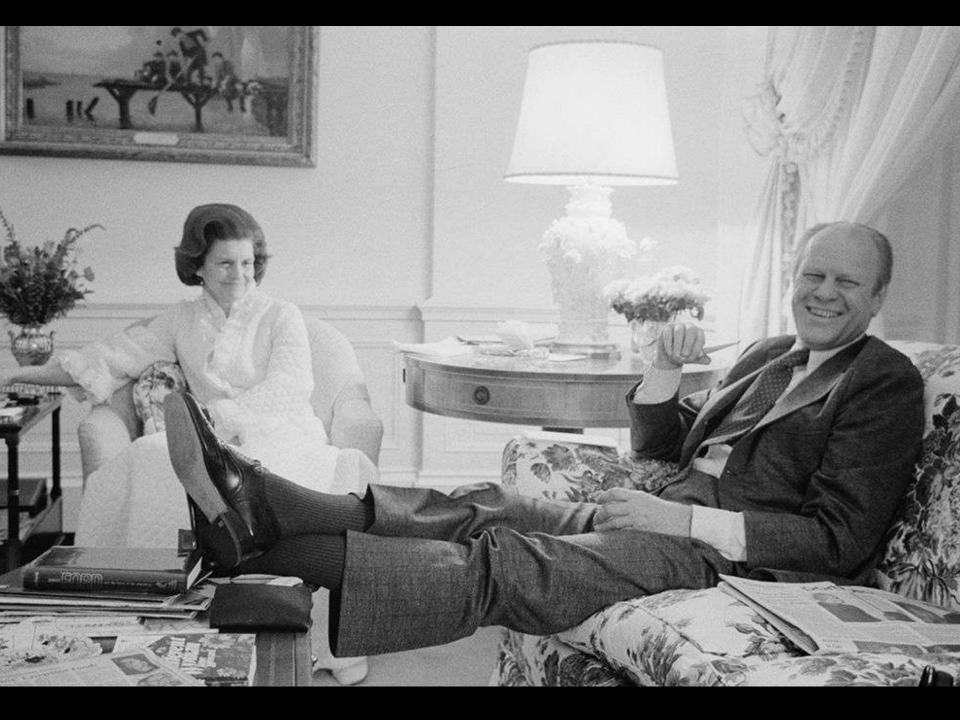
Seattle = programs, communication, advocacy

State = advocacy

Region = programs

National = programs, communication, advocacy





# Leader Experience 2016

Dedicated state board members

Local board focuses on local issues





## Growing pains

Spokane and Central Washington

**Government Affairs Committee** 

Staffing

Executive roles on board





#### Benefits

Easier to understand

More consistent service

Lower dues

More effective advocacy

Consensus decision making

Closer relationships



