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Promotions and key changes to Sedgwick County administration

(Sedgwick County, Kan.) – County Manager Tom Stolz announced a restructuring of the County's leadership team that includes key changes and promotions.

Assistant County Manager Tim Kaufman has been appointed Deputy County Manager. Kaufman's oversight over the County's health and human services organizations will remain the same but he will provide organizational oversight in Stolz' absence.

Director of Facilities Tania Cole has been promoted to Assistant County Manager. Cole will oversee central services, County facilities and maintenance, courthouse police, communications, and the government lobbyist, among other functions. A 14-year County employee, Cole most recently served as Director of Facilities managing \$6.6 million of capital improvement projects in addition to overseeing all facilities. She has served in numerous roles including Acting Communications Director last year, Community Relations Director from 2008-12 and Budget Analyst from 2006-7. Cole began her career with the County after completing a management internship in the County Manager's Office in 2006. She has a bachelor's of English language and literature and earned a master's of public administration from Wichita State University.

"The search committee and I were especially pleased that with Tania, the County has a highly-qualified individual within the organization who has the expertise and background to help us be more effective and efficient moving forward," said Stolz.

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About Sedgwick County

Established in 1867 and located in south-central Kansas, Sedgwick County is home to more than 500,000 residents and occupies 1,008 square miles of land. The county holds 21 municipalities including the county seat, Wichita, the largest city in Kansas and known as the Air Capital of the World as a global leader in aviation manufacturing services. Sedgwick County's 2019 Adopted Budget of \$439,530,621 focuses on its key priorities (Safe and Secure Communities, Public Services and Cultural Experiences, Effective Government Organization, and Communications

and Engagement). Sedgwick County, which will celebrate its 150th anniversary in 2020, bears the name of a Civil War hero, Major General John Sedgwick of the Union Army.