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Mayor Jacobs Makes Statement About Rising COVID and Community Deaths

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— Today, Knox County charted the highest single-day death report since the pandemic began. Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs has issued the following statement.

“I know people are fatigued and frustrated. We’ve been dealing with this pandemic for eight months and I know we’re all doing the best we can. Sadly, now we have seen over 200 deaths as well as indirect and collateral damage such as rising drug-related deaths, suicides, food insecurity and the closure of our public schools.

Nevertheless, we must keep going as a community. The vaccine is coming - there is help on the way and hope at the end of this. In the meantime, we must continue following good public health guidance and utilizing the five core actions. It is also vitally important that we support, love and care for one another.”

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