400 Main Street, Suite 615, Knoxville, TN 37902

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Oct. 11, 2024

Contact: Mike Donila Rylie McClurg

306-1177 cell 215-4579 office

705-1681 cell

Mayor Jacobs Talks About Relief Efforts, Emergency Preparedness, and More

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— During his Weekly Update that will post around 1 p.m. today, Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs talks about the outpouring of support and donations East Tennessee continues to receive and being prepared for emergencies.

The canned food and bottled water drive hosted by Mayor Jacobs, Mission of Hope and Knoxville Wholesale Furniture saw an overwhelming response from the community.

"Because of you, Mission of Hope filled 3 semi-trailers with goods and collected thousands of dollars in monetary donations," says Mayor Jacobs. "We collected so much that Mission of Hope is still tallying everything up!"

Mayor Jacobs also talks about the impressive airlift operations happening at Crossroads Cowboy Church in Greenville, TN and reminds everyone that recovery takes many months.

"Homes and businesses need to be rebuilt. Roads and bridges need to be repaired. Livelihoods need to be restored. So please keep it up and keep our neighbors in your prayers," notes Mayor Jacobs.

Emergencies like hurricane Helene happen in the blink of an eye. It's important to be prepared. Recommendations for emergency supplies can be found at ready.gov or redcross.org.