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Mayor Jacobs Talks About Tennova Healthcare, Homelessness and More

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— During his Weekly Update, which posts around 2 p.m., Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs talks about the 56-bed expansion at Tennova Healthcare's North Knoxville Medical Center; the Mayors' Leadership Summit on Homelessness; and the second annual weekend-long immersive camping experience in April at Melton Hill Park.

In addition to adding beds, the Medical Center now has a dedicated EMS intake area, which should help further reduce ambulance wait time at hospitals, Mayor Jacobs notes.

The keynote speaker at the Summit on Homelessness was Julia Orlando, who helped Bergen County, NJ, achieve functional zero for veteran homelessness.

"I look forward to taking some of the ideas that we heard and tailoring them to our situation," Mayor Jacobs says. "But, perhaps the most important thing that was said is that this is a community effort, and we all need to work together."

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