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## **Community Members Encouraged to Attend Advance Knox Workshops**

*KNOXVILLE, Tenn.*— Knox County and Knoxville-Knox County Planning are seeking community input for Advance Knox, a comprehensive planning process that will guide land use and transportation decisions for years to come.

During Ideas Week is the first round of seven workshops across the county designed to introduce the community to the project. Participants at the 90-minute workshops will work in small groups to generate ideas and participate in map-based activities.

Meeting dates, times, and locations for all in-person workshops are as follows:

- Sun., March 27 1:30 p.m. at Gibbs Middle School
- Mon., March 28 5:30 p.m. at Hardin Valley Middle School or Cater High School
- Tues., March 29 5:30 p.m. at West High School or Northshore Elementary School
- Wed., March 30 5:30 p.m. at Powell High School or South Doyle Middle School

Constituents are invited to attend the workshop most convenient for them.

Opportunities to participate in the process virtually are also available. Anyone interested can attend a virtual workshop at noon on Tues., March 29, by <u>registering</u> ahead of time. There will also be activities available on the website to allow community members to provide input and share their ideas in another format following the workshops.

"We're excited to hear what the community has to say about the future of Knox County," said Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs. "These workshops and online opportunities will help set the stage for the entire Advance Knox process."

Knox County's current Comprehensive Plan hasn't been updated in almost 20 years. During that time, the county has experienced significant growth and change. Advance Knox is a unique opportunity to align land use and transportation goals to create a blueprint for the County's future. It will help guide decisions about where and how future growth occurs and where investments in infrastructure and services need to be made in the years to come.

Any attendee requiring special accommodations to attend a workshop should call the Mayor's office at (865) 215-2005 to coordinate.

For more information about Advance Knox, please contact the project team at <a href="mailto:contact@advanceknox.org">contact@advanceknox.org</a> or visit <a href="mailto:advanceknox.org">advanceknox.org</a>.

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