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Mayor Jacobs Talks About EmPATH, CMC Steel and Much More

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— During his Weekly Update, which will post around 1 p.m. today, Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs talks about a tour of CMC Steel Tennessee, the American Job Center's veterans job fair at Pellissippi State Community College, and the new EmPATH Unit – a collaboration among Knox County, the City of Knoxville, the State of Tennessee, local hospitals, and the McNabb Center.

"The EmPATH Unit will help folks experiencing mental health issues get the appropriate service they need as quickly as possible," Mayor Jacobs says. "This facility is the first of its kind in the state and we're all excited to see the positive impact it will make on our community."

Mayor Jacobs also touches on the 18th Children's Festival of Reading that took place last weekend, seeing over 11,000 people visit World's Fair Park.

"This year, we helped celebrate the Imagination Library and its distribution of over 4 million books throughout Tennessee," he says. "Now, a festival that size doesn't happen without hard work from the folks with our libraries and all our partners. So, thank you to everyone for your love of literacy and for sharing our commitment to making Knox County the best-read community in America."

Mayor Jacobs also talks about the One Book Read City Scavenger Hunt Pizza Party at Zoo Knoxville, the 50th anniversary of National Emergency Medical Services Week, and local high school graduations.

Please note that all Knox County Government offices—including the Knox County Health Department, convenience centers, and public libraries—will be closed Monday, May 27, in observance of Memorial Day.