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Mayor Jacobs Encourages Residents to Sign Up for E-Warning System

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.—Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs and other elected leaders are again encouraging residents to sign up for the community-wide "e-warning" notification system designed to keep users informed and safe during an emergency.

"We encourage all members of the community to sign up for 'Knox County Alerts,'" Mayor Jacobs said. "These systems have saved lives in other areas."

The county established an emergency warning system more than a decade ago to help ensure that residents are alerted to public safety emergencies in the area. The warning system, powered by Everbridge, can send alerts via text, email, or voice call. The warnings include but are not limited to severe weather, natural disasters, hazmat, and more. Users also can choose the locations for alerts, such as a home or work address.

The system will automatically relay weather warnings from the National Weather Service such as Severe Thunderstorm Warnings or Tornado Warnings and it can also be used by Knox 911 to send alerts for things like chemical spills or law enforcement emergencies.

To register, please click here. Anyone who does not have internet access can register by phone at 311 or (865) 215-4311.

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