

"It has come to my attention that the Johnson County Post Office, located at 216 S College Street in Mountain City (Zip Code 37683), has closed its doors as of this morning due to structural issues with the roof. The U.S. Postal Service has informed us that the closure is necessary to ensure the safety of the facility, following a mandate from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

As a result, residents who use the Mountain City Post Office for P.O. box services are being directed to the Trade Post Office, and some have been informed that they will need to pick up their mail in Elizabethton. I understand the significant inconvenience this poses, particularly for our elderly residents and those without reliable transportation.

Please know that I am actively working with local officials and the U.S. Postal Service to address this issue. My office has already reached out to the USPS leadership, urging them to provide temporary solutions to minimize the disruption. This includes the possibility of establishing a temporary post office closer to Mountain City or deploying mobile postal units to better serve our community.

I am committed to ensuring that the Johnson County Post Office reopens as soon as possible. My team is closely monitoring the situation and will provide updates as more information becomes available. In the meantime, I encourage residents to reach out to my office with any specific concerns they may have.

Together, we will work to ensure that Johnson County residents continue to have access to the essential postal services they rely on."