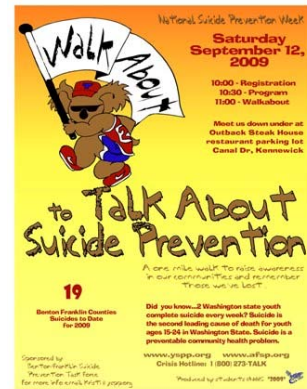


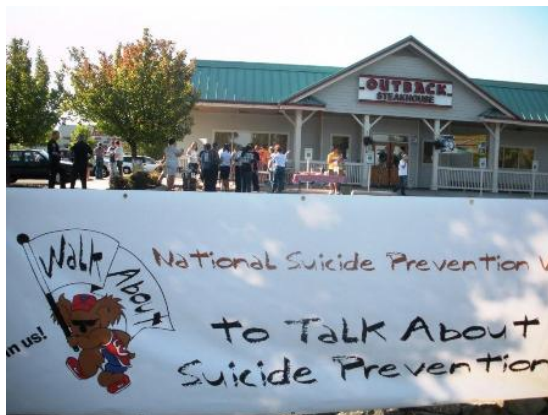
On Saturday, September 12 at 10:00am the Benton Franklin County Task Force sponsored the first annual, "Walk About to Talk About Suicide Prevention". Over 50 participants turned out for the one mile walk to raise awareness and begin a community discussion that suicide is preventable!

There were resources available along with local mental health counselors and a representative from a support group for survivors. Students from New Horizons High School helped to educate the public with the intervention skills that they have learned in their Peer training. These students also volunteered their time to create the banner and posters for the event.



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Participants were encouraged to walk in memory of a loved one they had lost and flags were carried to represent the 19 lives that have been lost in Benton and Franklin Counties since January 2009.



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