

# CROSS Center July Initiative

by Carole Mersinger, Dir.

As school is out for the summer, food shelves see an increased number of families with children visiting. As a response, you are invited to be a part of Open your Heart to the Hungry and Homeless. This is a July initiative that turns a small donation from you into a lot of food for those in need in our community as all donations will be proportionally matched up to \$5,000 in buying power at our food banks. This can make a significant difference in our community. Thank you for your support!

Please mail your donation to CROSS, PO Box 205, Foley. 56329. Phone: 320-968-7012.

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Monday 1-4, 6-8  
Thursday 10 – 3:00

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# SAL Offers Gun Safety

The Foley Sons of the American Legion sponsoring the Minnesota DNR sanctioned youth gun safety course. Classroom will held at the Foley Fire Hall, 81 S. Norman Ave. Classes begin on Tuesday Aug. 1, 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

Classes will be Tuesdays and Thursdays (Aug. 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, &17) with the final field shoot on Saturday, August 19, 2015 (8am- 12noon). Students must be at least 11 years old by August 1, 2016. Fee for class is \$7.50 payable at end of course to the Minnesota DNR. Attendance is mandatory. Class is limited to 25 students. Pre-register at Foley Legion, 131 - 4th Ave. N. Phone 320-968-7902.

# School Supply Drive for CROSS Center

Thank you so much for all of your support for the CROSS School Supply drive. Without your help we couldn't help as many families as we can. Last year we were able to help 100 students.

Supplies needed for the 2017-18 drive are: 4 packs of dry erase markers, fine tip dry erase markers, fine and ultra-fine black Sharpies, rubber cement, wide ruled notebooks, plastic folders and pocket folders (no prongs), wide ruled looseleaf paper, book covers, lined index cards, composition notebooks and backpacks.

CROSS Center is open Monday 1-4pm and 6-8pm, and Thursday, 10am-3pm.

# Temporary Demonstration Project Has Begun Downtown

CITY OF FOLEY ASKS FOR PUBLIC FEEDBACK ON  
PEDESTRIAN AND BIKING IMPROVEMENTS



FOLEY - A temporary road demonstration project along Dewey Street was officially put in place in downtown Foley last week. The demonstration was approved by the City Council last March as part of the preparation for the major Dewey Street construction project set for 2018. The City of Foley, in partnership with Benton County Public Health SHIP staff, and the engineering firm SEH (Short Elliot Hendrickson Inc.), is setting up the project. It is made possible through a grant from the Statewide Health Improvement Partnership. The layout includes a bike path, widened sidewalks, and parallel parking along the south side of Dewey Street (see above) from 3rd Avenue to Broadway Avenue. It is anticipated that if this layout was approved, about three parking spots per block would be lost using the parallel parking instead of the current diagonal configuration. The project will remain in place for about a month.

An open house will be held Tuesday, Aug. 1, at 6:30 p.m. at Foley City Hall for community members to learn more about the project and ask questions. The demonstration will allow the city to test potential changes and give the public an opportunity to provide feedback. The City Council will use the feedback and vote at a later date on whether or not to implement the changes permanently. The final design will be decided only if the council votes to permanently implement the project.

The key pieces highlighted in the project are from the City of Foley's 2012 Pedestrian Plan and will show community members and visitors what accommodations could be made for pedestrian and bicycle traffic. The project is another example of how Benton County Public Health is working to create safe places for residents and visitors in Foley to safely bike, walk, and enjoy downtown businesses as well as remain active outdoors.

An on-line survey about this project can be completed at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WZW6ZDH> or printed copies are available at City Hall. A copy of the survey can also be found on page 4 of this issue of the BCN.

During the time of the temporary demonstration, statutes require that motorists obey the parallel parking alignment. Diagonal parking in that designated area is not allowed and will be enforced by the City of Foley.

(BC News Photo)

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