



Walking with a Purpose Success Story: Ringgold County

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Students, parents, city and county officials, school personnel, and other adults completed the walkability assessment in Mount Ayr. The hospital, banks, hospice, and nursing home had representatives present during the walk. While there was enough room to walk on the sidewalks, the majority of them were cracked and uneven. Many people suggested that it was easier to walk in the street rather than on the rough and uneven sidewalk. The only crosswalk in town is next to the school, but more are needed throughout the town. In addition, parents expressed concerns about the street lighting in the early morning and late evening hours, and dogs that were chained up too close to the sidewalks. The results of the assessment will be shared with the County Interagency Team and the chamber of commerce.

