Walking Day #142...Thursday, January 24, 2013...out of Jackson moving south...thanks 'Nette!!!

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Today I walked for 'Nette (Anette) and her family and friends. We left route 80 and made a south turn on route 49. Along the road we passed through Richland, MS. I stopped at The Do-Nut Shop Cafe for a coffee and bathroom stop. The food smelled so good that I succumbed to a breakfast burrito with salsa. While I was there I had a pleasant conversation with Rhitney and 'Nette (Anette). As it burns out 'Nette's life has been impacted by both diabetes and cancer so I decided that I would walk today in honor of her friends and family. All my best to you and your family and friends. Thank you for sharing your story and your best wishes. I was rather impressed with the Richland/Florence area. It seems like a rather thriving community. The weather was sunny and warm. The road very wide, two lanes each way with a median AND wide shoulders. Traffic was very heavy as this is the main road between Jackson and Hattiesburg. We finished the day at the Piney Woods School. Thank you to Barney Barnes, the security guard, for letting us use the parking lot and for a brief description of the history of the school. He was also kind enough to give us a couple of books about the history of the school. As it turns out Mr. Barnes is a Viet Nam era Army veteran and is also living with diabetes. Thank you for your service and your hospitality. Best wishes as you control your disease.

When the day was over we had 22.1 miles (35.6452 km's) using 44,793 steps and collecting \$1.29 in loose change. Findings for the day: 1 putty knife, 1 7/16 wrench, 1 "Handicap Parking" sign (well worn lying by the side of the road), 3 quarters, 1 thin dime, 5 nickels and 19 pennies. The Walk terminated today at the Piney Woods School on route 49 southbound. Tomorrow will bring a significant milestone. See ya'll down the road...cheers!!!

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