

<b>WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS MEDIA RELEASE</b>		<b>NEWS RELEASE NUMBER 2018-057</b>
<b>INFORMATION: WELFARE CHECK-MISSING PERSON</b>		
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On Wednesday, August 8, 2018 at approximately 11:30 a.m., the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department responded to a call from Hononegah Forest Preserve. The caller reported that he found his wife's car at the Forest Preserve unoccupied and could not find her. The caller reported that his wife had been suicidal.

A Sheriff's K9 unit was dispatched to the location of the missing woman's car and from there conducted a search of the area for her. Deputy Eric Pearson and his K9 partner, Chico, began a search after scenting an article of clothing belonging to the woman. The K9's track led into a heavily wooded area in the preserve where the missing female was located, alive, but unconscious and unresponsive, due to the suicide attempt. The missing woman was located approximately 1/4 mile from the car.

The female was transported to Rockford Memorial Hospital by Rockton Fire Department Ambulance, where she was being treated for the attempt. Paramedics on scene reported that the woman most likely would have died had Deputy Pearson and Chico not found her when they did.

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