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## WEST CAPITOL COURTYARDS HEALTHY EATING AND ACTIVE LIVING

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### NATIONAL CHOLESTEROL EDUCATION MONTH

#### Preventing high cholesterol related diseases

Anyone at any age can have high cholesterol. Severe heart diseases and stroke are one of the leading causes of death in America, in which high cholesterol is a contributing risk factor.

September is dedicated to national cholesterol education month. It is important for you and your family to know about cholesterol and have you cholesterol level in check. Lifestyle and eating habit changes are crucial in lowering your cholesterol and keep your heart healthy

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### HOW TO KEEP YOUR CHOLESTEROL LEVEL IN CHECK?

SOURCE: CENTER FOR DISEASE AND CONTROL

#### What is cholesterol?

Cholesterol is a waxy fat substance in your blood that are produced from your liver and from the food that you consume. Your body needs cholesterol to produce hormones, vitamin and many other necessary substances. However, too much cholesterol in your blood could hold significant risks for your health. High cholesterol could increase your risk for heart diseases, cancers and stroke.

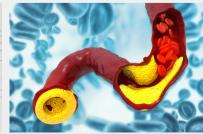


#### How high is too high?

For adults 20 years or older, cholesterol level of 200mg/dL are considered to be above the healthy range. Cholesterol level of 240mg/dL and higher could increase your risk for heart diseases.

#### Symtoms of high cholesterol?

High cholesterol usually does not show any symptoms It is important to know your cholesterol every 5 years to prevent any complications from high cholesterol. Your healthcare providers would perform a simple blood test to determine your cholesterol level.



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The National Cholesterol Education Program (NCEP)External suggests that adults check their cholesterol level every 5 years.



### **HIGH CHOLESTEROL PREVENTION**

Source: https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/high-blood<mark>-cho</mark>lesterol/symptoms-causes/syc-20350800

#### TYPES OF CHOLESTEROL

There are two types of cholesterol in your body, Highdensity lipoprotein (HDL) and Low-density lipoprotein (LDL). High-density lipoprotein is considered a "good" cholesterol because it picks up unnecessary cholesterol and transport them back to the liver for processing. Meanwhile, lowdensity lipoprotein is "bad" cholesterol because it trannsports other cholesterols around your body, leading to blood vessels and arteries blockage. When looking at nutrient label on food packaging, keep in mind the ratio of HDL and LDL in the food you consume.



#### **KNOW YOUR RISK FACTORS**

In order to prevent high cholesterol related diseases, it is important to know the risk factors that increase your "bad" cholesterol level. Lack of exercise, smoking, poor diet, obesity, diabetes and ages are factors that could affect your cholesterol level and complications from high cholesterol. To prevent high cholesterol, individuals with high risk should consider lifestyle change. A low fat, low salt, more vegetables and fruits diet should be considered in your everyday meals. Exercise is also crucial because it helps your body lose excess fat, which contain triglycerides and cholesterol. It is recommended that adults 20 years or older should exercise for 30 minutes a day. Individuals should also quit smoking because smoking tobacco can cause many complications from high cholesterol and heart diseases. Stress could cause change in fat metabolism, therefore managing stress should be considered if you want to lower your cholesterol level.







## **HUMMUS DIP**

An easy cholesterol free recipe

Source: https://www.foodnetwork.com/recipes/dave-lieberman/hummus-dip-recipe-1947116

### Ingredients

2 (15-ounce) cans chickpeas,

1/2 cup extra-virgin olive oil, or more as needed, plus more for garnish

1/2 lemon, juiced

2 tablespoons chopped parsley leaves

2 cloves of garlic

11/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon Asian sesame oil

1/2 to 1 teaspoon ground cumin

15 grinds black pepper

1/4 cup water

Paprika



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In a blender mix all the ingredients together. Don't mix parsley and paprika because they are used for garnish. Blend on low speed till you see a smooth texture.

Pour the hummus onto a plate. Sprinkle the paprika and parsley on top, drizzle with olive oil, scatter some parsley on top. Leave the hummus at room temperature. Refrigerate after serving because hummus is perishable

Calories: 57; Total Fat: 4 grams; Saturated Fat: 0.5 grams; Protein: 1 gram; Total carbohydrates: 5 grams; Sugar: 0 grams; Fiber: 1 gram; Cholesterol: 0 milligrams; Sodium: 96 milligrams

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### **COVID-19 UPDATES**

#### SOURCE: YOLO COUNTY

Yolo County Is currently in the

'Widespread' tier.

The most

restrictive tier.

County risk level	New cases	Positive tests
WIDESPREAD Many non-essential indoor business operations are closed	More than 7 daily new cases (per 100k)	More than 8% Positive tests
SUBSTANTIAL Some non-essential indoor business operations are closed	<b>4 - 7</b> daily new cases (per 100k)	<b>5 - 8%</b> Positive tests
MODERATE Some indoor business operations are open with modifications	1 - 3.9 daily new cases (per 100k)	2 - 4.9% Positive tests
MINIMAL Most indoor business operations are open with modifications	Less than 1 daily new cases (per 100k)	Less than 2% Positive tests

MINIMAL

**MODERATE** 

**SUBSTANTIAL** 

**WIDESPREAD** 

Starting August 31, 2020, California Department of Public Health, and Yolo County has extended the Public Health Order for indoor operations for certain sectors. They also support the new tier system for counties to reopen businesses.

Yolo County has been in the Purple/tier 1 zone with a positive test rate of more than 5.2 and more than 7 new cases daily per 100k residents. In order for the county to move up the next tier, the county has to meet the requirement for the next tier for 2 consecutive weeks and also stay in the current tier for 3 consecutive weeks.



## **COVID-19 Testing sites**

M & W	Sept 28 & 30	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Elica Health Center Flyer: English   Español   Russian	1276 Halyard Drive, West Sacramento	
Thu	Sept 24	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Woodland County Fair Mall Flyer: English   Español	1264 E. Gibson Road, Woodland (use Southeast entrance)	
Tue	Sept 22	4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Esparto Boy Scout Cabin Flyer: English   Español	17020 Yolo Avenue, Esparto	
M,W,F	Sept 21-25	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Elica Health Center Flyer: English   Español   Russian	1276 Halyard Drive, West Sacramento	



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# LOCAL COMMUNITY UPDATES

SOURCE: YOLO COUNTY, SACRAMENTO COUNTY

For tier 1 zone, the following sectors are allowed to reopen OUTDOOR with limited capacity and follow with proper CDC protocol:	
nail salons, body waxing	
Museums, zoos, aquariums	Support.
Places of worship	Juppon
Movie theaters	
Fitness centers	1-00
Restaurants	Support Local Business
Wineries	
Family Entertainment Centers	Business.
Cardrooms, satellite wagering	Dustresse
For tier 1 zone, the following sectors are allowed to reopen INDOOR with limited	
capacity (25%) and follow with proper CDC protocol:	
1.Critical infrastructure (https://covid19.ca.gov/essential-workforce/)	
2. Hair salons and barbershops	
3. All retail (25% maximum capacity)	
4. Shopping centers (maximum 25% capacity)	
5. Professional sports (without live audiences)	

# NEED HELP QUITTING TOBACCO?

Call 1-800-NoButts (1-800-662-8887) for a free nicotine patch starter kit. Long term consumption of nicotine could cause lung cancer, decrease heart health and other smoking related diseases. It's now the time to quit smoking.

For information on food assistance, mental health, financial and other resources, please contact us at (916) 556-3344.



