While red meat can increase your risk of heart disease, there are tons of red plant foods that'll keep your heart healthy!



Beets Beets contain betaine, a compound seen to protect blood vessels from artery-clogging plaque.



Tomatoes Tomatoes are high in lycopene, a powerful antioxidant.



Strawberries One cup of whole strawberries provides 141% of your vitamin C intake.



Kidney Beans You can get 44% of your daily amount of fiber with one cup of kidney beans.



Tart Cherries One cup of tart cherries has 39% of your daily vitamin A.



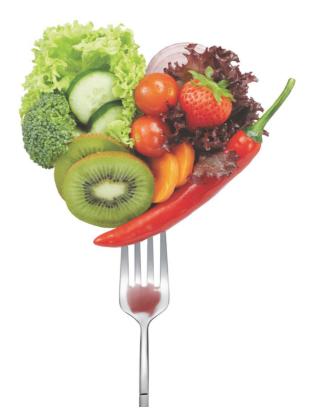
Red Potatoes Get 30% of your daily B-6 and 46% potassium in a single, large red potato.

For more information, call (816) 404-3320 or email chsi@uhkc.org



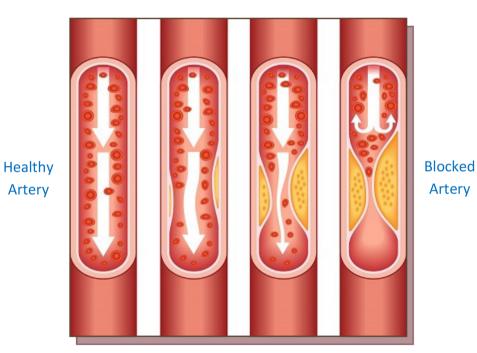


Heart Disease



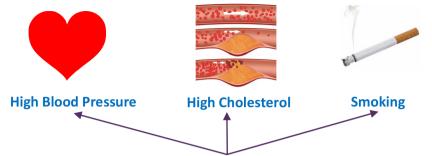
Heart Disease in the United States

Heart disease is the leading cause of death for both men and women in the United States, killing over 600,000 people every year—that's **1 in every 3 deaths**.



Heart disease includes numerous problems, many of which are related to a process called atherosclerosis. Atherosclerosis is a condition that develops when a substance called plaque builds up in the walls of the arteries (*as seen in image above*). This buildup narrows the arteries, making it harder for blood to flow through. If a blood clot forms, it can block the blood flow. This can cause heart attack or stroke.

Are you at risk?



About **half of Americans** (47%) have at least one of these three key risk factors.

Risk factors leading to heart disease can be "silent killers" - typically no symptoms, causing progressive harm to your cardiovascular system.

But did you know ... 80% of premature heart disease is **PREVENTABLE?**

Tips to reduce your risk for heart disease.









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