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.



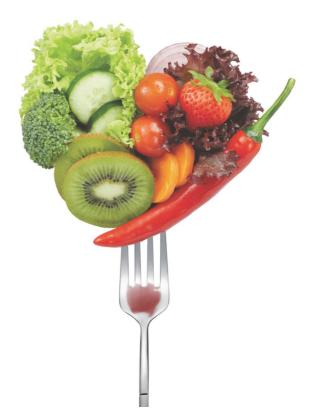
**Red Potatoes** Get 30% of your daily B-6 and 46% potassium in a single, large red potato.

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



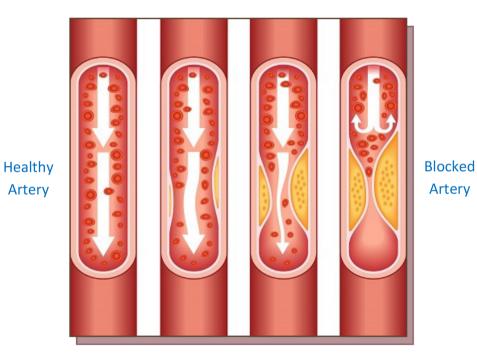


## **Heart Disease**



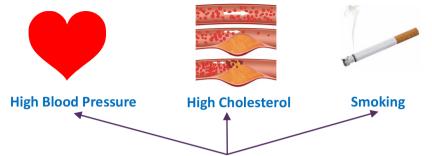
## **Heart Disease in the United States**

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.









Maintain a Healthy Weight Make Healthy Food Choices

Stay Active Stop Smoking