

Healthy Eating for Elders:

NO-COOK RECIPES

Provided by your Neighborly Care Network Dietitian

Try these quick and easy recipes for balanced and healthy meals. No cooking required!

Bean and Veggie Sandwich

Rinse and mash canned white beans and mix with low-fat plain yogurt. Add spices as desired (mustard, dill, parsley, garlic, onion, or pepper). Spread on multi-grain bread and top with Romaine lettuce, sliced cucumber, and tomato.

Spicy Chicken Sandwich

Mix leftover cooked (or canned) shredded chicken with low-fat mayonnaise. Add chopped celery, chopped pepper (green or red), and curry powder to taste. Serve on whole-grain bread with sliced tomato and spinach leaves or Romaine lettuce.

Tortilla Wraps

Layer tortilla with sliced deli meat, cheese, onions, tomatoes, green leaf lettuce, and chunky salsa (optional). Fold one end of tortilla over filling, turn in the sides, roll up, and enjoy!

Pumpkin Breakfast Pudding

Combine vanilla instant pudding mix, one cup milk, one cup pure pumpkin (canned or fresh), one tsp. cinnamon, and one tsp. vanilla. Pour over one cup dry cereal (granola type) and refrigerate overnight.

Southwestern Bean Salad

Drain and combine one cup each canned black beans and corn kernels. Mix with 1/2 cup salsa (may use diced tomatoes instead). Spoon onto salad greens and top with 1/4 cup shredded cheese. Garnish with dollop of low-fat sour cream if desired. Serve with whole grain crackers.

Fresh Fruit Salad

Cut up one or more kinds of fresh or canned fruits, such as pineapples, peaches, melons, berries, or bananas. Mix with low-fat vanilla yogurt and top with walnuts or pecans. Serve with whole-grain English muffin or bread.