

## **AIDS Services Groceries Evaluation**

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Vegetables-fresh	Nutrition	Quality	Quantity	# of servings	Product dated	Notes
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red potatoes, fresh	good source of vitamin C	good quality/no visible bad spots	10 pieces	10-12 veg	n/a	
yellow onions, fresh		good quality/no visible bad spots	4 pieces	8 veg	n/a	
radishes, fresh		good quality/no visible bad spots	12 pieces	6 veg	n/a	
cucumbers, fresh		good quality/no visible bad spots	4 small	6 veg	n/a	
zucchini, fresh	good source of vitamin C	good quality/no visible bad spots	6 medium	12 veg	n/a	
avocado, fresh	good source of heart- healthy fats	good quality/no visible bad spots	4 medium	4-6 veg	n/a	
celery, fresh	good source of fiber	good quality/no visible bad spots	1 bunch	5 veg	n/a	
carrots, fresh	Good source of vitamin A	good quality/no visible bad spots	5 large	6-8 veg	n/a	
Vegetables-canned	Nutrition	Quality	Quantity	# of servings	Product dated	Notes
organic tomato paste, Kirkland brand	low in sodium		6 oz	5 veg	4/28/2024	
condensed tomato soup, Campbell's brand	high in sodium		10.75 oz	2.5 veg	12/6/2022	
canned green beans, Del Monte brand	high in sodium		14.5 oz	3.5 veg	11/25/2022	
canned green beans, Early Garden brand	low in sodium		14.5 oz	3.5 veg	12/5/2022	
canned stewed tomatoes with basil, garlic & oregano	No Nutrition Facts panel on can (ingredients are listed). Good source of vitamins A and C.		14.5 oz	3.5 veg	5/21/2023	
Fruit	Nutrition	Quality	Quantity	# of servings	Product dated	Notes
pears, fresh		good quality/no visible bad spots	5 pieces	5 fruit	n/a	
kiwi, fresh	good source of vitamin		4 pieces	4 fruit	n/a	
navel oranges, fresh			4 pieces	4 fruit	n/a	
Granny Smith apples, fresh		good quality/no visible bad spots	3 medium, 1 small	4 fruit	n/a	
red grapes, fresh		good quality/no visible bad spots	2 lb 7 oz		n/a	
honeydew melon, fresh	good source of vitamin C	good quality/no visible bad spots	1	6-8 fruit	n/a	
canned mixed fruit in juice, McTrader brand			15 oz	3 fruit	45220	
canned pineapple chunks in pineapple juice, Raley's brand			20 oz	4 fruit	12/27/2023	
Protein foods	Nutrition	Quality	Quantity	# of servings	Product dated	Notes
eggs, fresh, Olivera brand			1 dozen	6 protein	11/13/2021	
pinto beans, dried, Celia's brand	good source of fiber		1 lb	10 protein	8/20/2023	
wild pollock fillets, frozen, Trident brand	fat free		32 oz	8 protein	none (production date 6/18/	21)
	Water pack preferred.		5 oz	1-2 protein	3/7/2023	
brand						

chunk light tuna, packed	Contains texturized soy		5 oz	1-2 protein	5/1/2025	
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ground beef, frozen, 85%			1 lb	4 protein	2/10/2022	
lean, Caviness brand						
Dairy foods	Nutrition	Quality	Quantity	# of servings	Product dated	Notes
mild cheddar cheese,	good source of calcium		8 oz	4-6 dairy	11/22/2021	
block, Challenge brand						
plain lowfat yogurt,	good source of calcium		32 oz	4-5 dairy	11/26/2021	
Producers brand						
milk, 2%, fresh, Producers	good source of		1/2 gallon	8 dairy	11/6/2021	
brand	calcium/vitamin D					
nonfat dry milk, Mountain	good source of		12.8 oz (constitutes to	16 dairy	10/15/2022	
Maid brand	calcium/vitamin D		1 gallon)			
shelf-stable milk, organic	good source of		4 boxes (8 oz each)	4 dairy	12/24/2021	
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	calcium/vitamin D		14 boxes (6 62 edem)	- uun y	12, 24, 2021	
lowfat, Horizon brand	calcium/vitamin D	Quality	Quantity	# of servings	Product dated	Notes
lowfat, Horizon brand  Grains	calcium/vitamin D	Quality	, ,	,	,	Notes
lowfat, Horizon brand  Grains  cereal, Fit & Active brand	calcium/vitamin D  Nutrition	· ·	Quantity	# of servings	Product dated	Notes
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Grains  cereal, Fit & Active brand vanilla almond flakes	Nutrition whole grain is second ingredient, provides 3g fiber; 9g added sugars per serving	· ·	Quantity 12.4 oz	# of servings	Product dated 11/10/2021	No brand or
Grains  cereal, Fit & Active brand vanilla almond flakes  chewy granola bars, trail	Nutrition whole grain is second ingredient, provides 3g fiber; 9g added sugars per serving unable to assess	· ·	Quantity 12.4 oz	# of servings 9 grain	Product dated 11/10/2021	
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Recommended servings for 15 days:		Total food group servings provided:		Suggest to increase:
Vegetables	45-75	Vegetables	64-70	
Fruit	30-60	Fruit	30-32	
Protein	45	Protein	30-32	Protein
Dairy	45	Dairy	36-39	Dairy
Grains	90	Grains	21	Whole grains

## Other Notes:

Specific items included may vary from month to month based on availability. Evaluation will be conducted twice yearly and adjustments made as necessary.

## Overall evaluation of groceries:

- Foods provided at least half of recommended servings from all food groups for a 15-day period, assuming client receives groceries twice monthly.
- Items were packed appropriately to avoid crushing of softer items and to separate refrigerated items from shelf-stable. Cans were not dented or damaged. Some bags would be too heavy for some clients to carry, which would especially be a concern if they are using public transit.
   Foods overall were very fresh and had enough remaining shelf life to be of use. There were plenty of vegetables, both starchy and non-starchy.
- Foods were mostly American types with few other cultural foods, but all should be easily recognizable to clients.
- Quanitities of each item were more appropriate to avoid spoilage.
- Number of grain servings was lower than last evaluation.

## Recommendations:

- Continue to limit sodium and added sugar content in canned vegetables and shelf-stable foods.
- Continue to ensure that half of the grain servings are whole grain.
- Provide easy recipes or tip sheets on using some foods, if possible
- Offer non-dairy alternatives to dairy products if possible.