

# Grace Goad changed her fast food eating habits to reach two goals: 

## $\diamond$ She wants to live as long as her mother: 105 years.

## $\diamond$ And she wants to be able to easily bend down and put on her socks.

Grace is 78 years old, and on the right track to achieve her goals. She lives in the tiny village of Timbisha, in the middle of Death Valley, California. She is able to change her eating habits and get fresh fruits and vegetables. Some food is brought to the village by staff from the Toiyabe Indian Health Project, located 120 miles away. Grace also goes to the town of Pahrump, 50 miles away, to shop.

Her trips to town used to include stops at fast-food restaurants. She used to not be
picky about what she bought at the grocery store. But Grace wanted to lose some weight to be healthy and move more easily.

Grace also changed her physical activity. She walks every evening, after the heat of the day. She has arthritis in her knees, and uses a walker. But that doesn't stop her. "I walk from my home to that trailer over there." Grace points to a trailer near her house. With a walker and arthritis, that is far
away! But that doesn't stop Grace. She has goals to walk to the tribal center, then walk to her sister's house which is on the far side of the village.

In two weeks, Grace has lost two pounds! But better than that, she feels good knowing she is on her way to achieving her goals.

Grace has already achieved her other goal. "I can bend over and put on my socks! Ha!" At that moment, Grace bends over, touches her toes, then stands straight up, smiling big.

## Here is what Grace did to change her eating habits:

$\diamond$ Eats oatmeal for breakfast instead of bacon and eggs. She knows oatmeal is good for her heart.
$\checkmark$ Changed the name of "convenience" stores. She calls them all "junk food stores."
$\diamond$ Buys fresh fruits, vegetables, beans and rice at the grocery store. She always has these items in her house so she can include them in almost every meal.

Changed the way she orders "fast food." She gets picky about breakfast sandwiches. She orders them on English muffins and not croissants. She orders them with only one egg, without sausage or cheese. "I am satisfied," she says.

## Guidelines for Healthy Eating Away From Home

Going out to eat used to be a treat. Going out to eat didn't happen often. It was a special event. For many people, going out to eat meant eating anything you wanted.

Now it is common to eat out many times a week. Fast food, cheap food, can be found almost everywhere. Portion sizes have become larger.

We need a new plan for eating out! Try this: whenever you eat out, try choosing healthier meals. Look at the numbers on the right. You can eat out and eat healthy foods!

Fast Food Choices

Instead of ...
Try These Foods ...

| McDonalds ${ }^{\circledR}$ | Calories |  | McDonalds ${ }^{\circledR}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Total calories
Total calories

| Burger King ${ }^{\circledR}$ Calories | Burger King ${ }^{\circledR}$ Calories |
| :---: | :---: |
| Whopper ${ }^{\circledR}$ with Cheese ... 780 | Hamburger ........................... 320 |
| Medium french fries......... 360 | Side salad with lite dressing....... 55 |
| Chocolate shake, small..... 420 | Iced tea with sugar substitute |
| Total calories ............... 1560 |  |

Taco Bell ${ }^{\circledR}$
Calories
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Calories
Taco salad in a shell ......... 830 Bean burrito
370
Regular soda (medium).... 210

Total calories
1040

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Calories
KFC ${ }^{\circledR}$
Hot Wings ${ }^{\text {TM }}$...................... 350

Potato wedges .................. 260

Total calories
610

| Wendy's ${ }^{\circledR}$ | Calories |
| :--- | :--- |
| Breaded chicken <br> sandwich ..................... 450 |  |

Baked potato

with cheese. ..... 340
Coffee with cream ..... 20
Total calories ..... 810

| Wendy's ${ }^{\circledR}$ | Calories |
| :--- | :--- |
| Grilled chicken <br> sandwich.............................$~$ 295 |  |
| Baked potato |  |
| with salsa...................................... |  |
| Coffee with nonfat milk........... |  |

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