## **What Does Your Food Do For You?**

<b>Nutrient:</b> Vitamins	Function	Sources
Vitamin A	• Healthy skin, eyes, hair, and nails	Carrot Sweet Potato Butternut Squash Cantaloupe Other sources: collard greens, kale, Swiss chard, and spinach
Vitamin C*	Heals cuts and bruises and helps fight infections	Orange Strawberries Tomato Red Pepper Other sources: guava, kiwi, green peppers, Brussels sprouts, and cantaloupe
Vitamin B12*	Helps to make red blood cells	Low-Fat Dairy Poultry Tuna Fortified Cereal Other sources: salmon, trout, and clams
Vitamin D*	Helps to absorb and use calcium for healthy bones	Fortified Milk Cheese Eggs Salmon Other sources: sunlight, fortified cereal, pork, and mushrooms
Folic Acid	Helps normal fetal development and production of blood cells	Beans Spinach Strawberries Peas Other sources: lentils, romaine lettuce, turnip greens, and collard greens

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<b>Nutrient:</b> Minerals	Function	Sources
Calcium*	Strong bones and teeth	Broccoli Spinach Kale Bok Choy Other sources: low fat dairy products, fortified cereal and orange juice
Potassium	Keeps your muscles and heart working properly	Banana Raisins Tomato Potato  Other sources: beet greens, white beans, dates, yogurt, and clams
Iron*	• Keeps your blood healthy	Broccoli Romaine Kidney Beans Black Beans Other sources: red meat, fortified cereal, soybeans, pumpkin seeds, and seafood
Manganese	• Helps keep blood sugar levels healthy	Brown Rice Beans Pineapple Raspberries  Other sources: spelt, garbanzo beans, rye, soybeans, and oats

<sup>\*</sup> These nutrients are the most common deficiencies found in the general population.

