# WIC FRUITS & VEGETABLES SUMMER 2021



### **Maximize Your Benefits!**

Plan ahead Watch dates to spend Try something new Long-term storage Dehydrate, Freeze, and much more!

## Fruits & Vegetables Cash Value Increase

- Starting June 2021, for 4 months, women & children 1-5 will have \$35 per person each month to buy more fruits & vegetables at the grocery store
- It will be available on your "First Date to Spend" starting in June
- You can buy fresh or frozen fruits & vegetables when you shop using your WIC Card
- WIC Cards can't be used at Farmers Markets or Farm Stores

#### **Produce Adventure!**

Daikon Radish Kiwi Dragon fruit Kohlrabi Star Fruit Watermelon Radish White Asparagus Guava Passion Fruit Portobello Mushroom Tomatillo Chayote Blood Oranges

Have you tried these?

# Fresh

Any brand or type Cut or whole Fresh fruit/veggies in bags, clamshells, cups, plastic bowls, or tubs Organic or non-organic



Any size bag, box, or steamer pouch Any brand Organic or non-organic Frozen beans are OK such as black-eyed peas, edamame, garbanzo, & lima beans



# BOUNTIFUL FRUITS & VEGETABLES!

**Dehydrate --** It's remarkably easy to dehydrate fruits and veggies in the oven. Preheat your oven to the lowest setting, cut your fruits and vegetables into ¼ inch slices, and place them in the oven on a lined sheet pan for as long as needed, usually 6-8 hours. Leave the oven door cracked open a bit. Dried foods can be kept in airtight container up to 6months. <u>Click here to read more</u>: https://tinyurl.com/z2befzk Freeze -- Blend fruits and put them in popsicle molds or Dixie cups for a natural fruit pop, or wash berries then freeze them whole on a baking sheet. Slice larger fruits thinly then place in a single layer on a baking sheet until frozen. After frozen store in freezersafe bags. Great for smoothies! Click below for: <u>https://tinyurl.com/yw9c35z4</u>

Available WIC Benefits Mar 26 202 - Apr 25 2021 Updated on Apr 62 @ 200-18 PM <sup>(2)</sup> C VEW FORCE EENEFITS C VEW FORCE EENEFITS D C March E ENEFITS D C

CONTACT WIC STAFF WITH QUESTIONS

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### First date to spend

Last date to spend

#### Updated on

- Last time the app checked the WIC account balance.
- Select I to update app.

### Long-Term Storage

Keep **Potatoes, Sweet Potatoes, & Winter Squashes** in a cool, dark location Store them in *paper bags* & away from onions **Onions & Garlic** can be stored in a cool, dark, & dry place for several months. Keep in open bin , box, or basket **Apples & Cabbage** will keep for an extended time as well if kept cold