# Prepare for the Burger Challenge!

### February Fitness: 3 Months Before the Smackdown!

**Time to get into burger-ready shape!** You want to eat at least one of each unique burger at the Smackdown; that's six scrumptious, plant-sourced, phenomenal burgers. The secret to staying in burger-ready shape is the ability to BURN OFF those calories as fast as possible!

#### The Economist has stated "2019 is the Year of the Vegan."

What a better way to slide into going vegan, than to eat plant-sourced burgers, slider-size, that are JUST LIKE BEEF! Enter the Impossible Burger and the Beyond Meat Burger. Yeah, these are kinda fattening, *just like beef.* However, there's NO cholesterol in plant foods, so your arteries will never know you've eaten burgers; just your taste buds will be fooled. Complete this burger extravaganza by also enjoying the exquisite, flavorful experience of whole-plant-food burgers.

## Here's a plan to rise to the bottom of the top of the burger bun for a couch potato:

Week 1. Get up off the couch. You CAN DO IT! • Practice this at least five times every day.

#### Week 2. Stay off the couch at least 50% of the time.

Go for a walk three days this week, minimum 10 minutes each day.
Need motivation? Try "Chasing the Burger!" Tape a photo of a delicious plant-based burger to the end of a long pole. Carry this pole and keep

the burger photo in front of you as you walk.

#### Week 3: Keep walking, Pick up five pounds of something.

- Stay off the couch at least 75% of the time.
- Walk four days this week, minimum 15 minutes each day.
- Pick up something that weights five pounds. Repeat three times.
   Yes, your cat or dog count. So does a 5-pound pizza (with vegan cheese).

Week 4: Up the Ante: Now that you're off the couch most of the time...

- Walk five days this week, minimum 20 minutes each day.
- On the two days you are not walking, start strength training with 3- or 5-pound weights.
- Bicep curls and tricep extentions. 10 reps each, one set.
- Ab crunches: 10 reps
- Sit-to-stand: From a chair NOT the couch! Sit, then stand, then sit, then stand... you get the idea. DO IT 10 times in a row,

**Need some incentive?** Just think of all the sizzling, dripping, juicy burgers you can eat without gaining weight because you're in great shape for the Smackdown!

#### **BURGER VENDORS:**

Land of Kush • Stall 11 • Golden West • Big Bean Theory The Natural Veg Food (one more vendor added soon)

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