## **CREAM OF BROCCOLI SOUP**

**Basic Lifestyle** 

## **INGREDIENTS**

4 1/4 cups reduced sodium chicken broth, or vegetable broth

1 medium onion, chopped (2/3 cup)

1 carrot, peeled and chopped (2/3 cup)

1 celery stalk, chopped

1 clove garlic, chopped

5 cups broccoli florets, 12 ounces

1/2 cup 2% milk

3 TBS reduced-fat sour cream, plus optional more for garnish ground black pepper to taste

1/2 cup sharp lite cheddar cheese, shredded

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- —In medium sized stock pot, bring chicken broth, onions, carrots, garlic, and celery to a boil. Cover and simmer 5 minutes.
- —Add broccoli, milk and pepper and cook, covered, 10 more minutes.
- —Add sour cream, and puree soup with an immersion blender.
- —Adjust black pepper to taste and heat through over medium heat; stir in cheddar cheese and serve.

## **SERVING INFO:** (Serves 4)

 $1 \frac{1}{2} \text{ cups} = 3 \text{ V}, \frac{1}{2} \text{ M}$