# Walking Benefits

## Research shows that walking can help reduce the risk of:

High **Cholesterol** by 7%1

**High Blood Pressure** by 7.2<sup>%1</sup>

Heart Disease by 9<sup>%1</sup>

**Diabetes** by 12<sup>%1</sup>





### Getting up to walk outside can help:





**Promote creative** thinking.4



**Boost your mood** through movement.3



Increase muscle strength and endurance.2







(F)(I)(T) Goals

Keep these goals in mind to get the most out of your walks.

#### Frequency

500 steps in 7 minutes (6x/ day, 1 hour apart).

#### Intensity

3,000 steps in 30 minutes.

**Tenacity** 10,000 steps

in 1 day.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Life Science Division at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/23559628)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> American Heart Association (https://www.heart.org/en/healthy-living/fitness/walking/why-is-walking-the-most-popular-form-of-exercise)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Examining group walks in nature and multiple aspects of well-being: A large scale study (https://www.liebertpub.com/doi/pdf/10.1089/eco.2014.0027)

<sup>4</sup> Stanford University (https://news.stanford.edu/2014/04/24/walking-vs-sitting-042414/)