## **QUICK & EASY MINESTRONE**

- 4 cups vegetable broth
- 2 cans (15 ounces) beans, rinsed and drained (kidney, great northern, garbanzo, etc.)
- 2 cups frozen mixed vegetables
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 3/4 cup small pasta (shells, macaroni, etc.)
- 1 teaspoon dried basil
- 1 can (15 ounces) diced tomatoes, Italian or regular, undrained
- 1. Stir together broth, beans, vegetables, onion, pasta, and basil in a large saucepan
- 2. Bring to a boil and reduce heat. Cover and simmer 10 minutes, or until pasta is tender
- 3. Stir in tomatoes and heat through. Makes 10 servings.

If you are out of vegetable broth, make your own using 1 tablespoon of **Chicken Style Seasoning** per cup of water. One favorite is from The Vegetarian Express.

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