AFRICAN BEAN SOUP by GE

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 tablespoons soy sauce
- 1 onion, chopped
- 2 small yams, peeled and diced (about 2 cups)
- 2 medium carrots, chopped
- 2 celery stalks, chopped
- 1 red bell pepper, diced
- 1 (28-ounce) can diced tomatoes
- 1 (15-ounce) can garbanzo beans, drained
- 3 cups vegetable broth
- 1/2 cup cilantro or parsley
- 3 tablespoons creamy peanut butter
- 2 teaspoons curry powder

METHOD:

Heat olive oil in stock pot over medium-high heat. Saute onion and sweet potato for about 5 minutes.

Add celery, carrots, bell pepper, soy sauce and curry powder and saute for another 5 minutes.

Add tomatoes, beans, cilantro or parsley and vegetable stock.

Blend peanut butter with 1/2 cup warm water and add to soup.

Cover and simmer for 20-25 minutes, until sweet potatoes are tender.