## **Tomato Vegetable Casserole**

## **Ingredients**

- ✓ 1 medium potato, peeled and cut into 1/2-inch pieces
- ✓ 1 medium yam, peeled and cut into 1/2-inch pieces
- ✓ 1 red bell pepper, seeded and cut into 1/2-inch pieces
- 2 carrots, peeled and cut into 1/2-inch pieces
- 5 tablespoons olive oil
- ✓ 1 red onion, thinly sliced into rings
- 2 small or 1 large zucchini, cut crosswise into 1/4-inch-thick pieces
- Salt and pepper
- 2 large ripe tomatoes, cut crosswise into 1/4-inch thick slices
- ✓ 1/2 cup grated Parmesan
- 2 tablespoons dried Italian-style bread crumbs
- Fresh basil sprigs, for garnish

## **Directions**

- 1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F.
- 2. Toss the potato, yam, bell pepper, carrots, and 2 tablespoons of olive oil in a 13 by 9 by 2-inch baking dish to coat. Sprinkle with salt and pepper and toss until coated. Spread vegetables evenly over the bottom of the pan.
- 3. Arrange the onion slices evenly over the vegetable mixture. Arrange the zucchini over the onion. Drizzle with 2 tablespoons of oil. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Arrange the tomato slices over the zucchini.
- 4. Stir the Parmesan and bread crumbs in a small bowl to blend. Sprinkle the Parmesan bread crumbs over the vegetables in the baking dish. Drizzle with the last tablespoon of olive oil.
- 5. Bake uncovered until the vegetables are tender, and the topping is golden brown, about 40 minutes. Garnish with fresh basil sprigs, if desired.

**Suggestion from Mary Stackhouse:** After slicing as directed above, cut the tomatoes and zucchini slices in half to simplify putting the casserole in our trays