## **Chicken Bacon Ranch Dip**

## **Ingredients:**

6 slices bacon, chopped

1 (8-oz.) package cream cheese, softened

1/2 c. sour cream, room temperature

2 tbsp. ranch seasoning mix

2 c. shredded sharp cheddar cheese, divided

1 1/2 c. chopped cooked chicken

4 oz. diced pimientos, drained

6 green onions, thinly sliced and divided

Tortilla chips, crackers, or raw vegetables, to serve



## **Directions:**

- Preheat the oven to 350°F.
- In a 12-inch skillet, cook the bacon over medium heat, stirring often until crispy, about 8 minutes. Using a slotted spoon, remove the bacon from the pan to a paper towel-lined plate.
- In a medium bowl, use a rubber spatula to soften the cream cheese until very creamy and smooth. Add the sour cream and the ranch seasoning mix, whisking until very well combined. Fold in 1 1/2 cups of cheddar cheese, chicken, pimientos, 5 sliced green onions, and all but ¼ cup of the bacon.
- Spoon the mixture into a 1 quart casserole dish. Top with the remaining  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of cheddar cheese and reserved  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of bacon.
- Bake on the center rack until bubbly, 25 to 30 minutes. Sprinkle with the remaining sliced green onion.
- Serve immediately with tortilla chips, crackers, or raw vegetables.