## What Happens When You Stand

## **Stand Up**

**YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE** drops, causing sensors in your carotid arteries to send out a signal.

**YOUR BRAIN** gets the message and sends out its own signal to speed up your heart.

**YOUR HEART** begins to beat faster and harder, compensating for the gravitational pull on your blood.





## **Start to Move**

**CIRCULATION** increases as pooled blood in your legs begins returning to your heart.

**YOUR HEART** beats a little bit faster and harder.

YOUR MUSCLES begin to use more glucose, helping regulate blood sugar.

**SMALL BLOOD VESSELS** dilate with increased blood flow, delivering more oxygen to your muscles and removing lactic acid.

## **Keep Moving**

**YOUR DIAPHRAGM** pulls harder, opening your lungs to take in more oxygen.

**YOUR BRAIN** starts getting more blood, improving your thinking skills and mood.

YOUR BODY begins to burn more calories.

YOUR JOINTS loosen up with improved lubrication.





