

## **MISSION:**

To provide year–round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic–type sports for children and adults with an intellectual disability, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in the sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.

# **HISTORY:**

Founded in 1968

### PARTICIPANTS (per the 2015 census):

Registered athletes and Unified partners:	4,752
Coaches:	715
Competitions:	53

### SUPPORT:

Recipient of government, corporate and individual funding

### INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Athens, Greece

### **10 OFFICIAL SPORTS:**

Aquatics	Athletics	Basketball	Bocce
Bowling	Flag Football	Football (Soccer)	Golf
Power Lifting	Softball		

### **OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:**

Athlete Leadership, Healthy Athletes, Healthy Communities, Young Athletes, Project UNIFY, Special Olympics Unified Sports, Special Olympics Toastmaster's Club, and Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR)

### **EXECUTIVE STAFF:**

Mr. Tom Weber, Board ChairMs. Nancy Bottelo, President and CEOMs. Alice Webb, Athlete Representative on the Board of Directors

#### SPECIAL OLYMPICS PROGRAM

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