

### **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 1990

# **PARTICIPANTS** (per the 2014 census):

Registered athletes:	458
Coaches:	55
Competitions:	11

## GOAL:

Grow young athlete numbers, stimulate cross-border competitions, increase the number of Sports, recruit new coaches, introduce Unified Basketball, Team Partner and FA re Global Football, Family Program, Increase the number of youth involved, Continue offering HA programming, More long term partners, Launch fundraising events to raise new revenue, Increase presence in new media, Ensure compliance with General Rules, Use knowledge management system.

#### **INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:**

- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (28 athletes)
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea (12 athletes)
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Athens, Greece (31 athletes)
- 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Nagano, Japan (12 athletes)
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai, China(22 athletes)

## **12 OFFICIAL SPORTS:**

Alpine Skiing	Aquatics	Athletics	Basketball
Bocce	Cross Country Skiing	Distance Running	Football (Soccer)
Gymnastics (Artistic)	Snowshoeing	Table Tennis	Tennis

#### **OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:**

Athlete Leadership, Motor Activities Training Program (MATP)

#### **EXECUTIVE STAFF:**

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