

## **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 1995

## PARTICIPANTS (per the 2014 census):

Registered athletes:	22,052
Coaches:	5,890
Competitions:	184

# 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

## **11 OFFICIAL SPORTS:**

Alpine Skiing	Aquatics	Athletics	Basketball
Bocce	Bowling	Cross Country Skiing	Floor Hockey
Football (Soccer)	Golf	Softball	Tennis
Volleyball			

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

Young Athletes, Project UNIFY, Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR), Motor Activities Training Program (MATP)

### **EXECUTIVE STAFF:**

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