

**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 the late 1970s

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2014 census):

Registered athletes:	4,263
Coaches:	182
Competitions:	17

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

12 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Aquatics	Athletics	Badminton	Basketball
Bocce	Cricket	Floor Hockey	Floorball
Football (Soccer)	Open Water Swimming	Roller Skating	Volleyball

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR), Family Support Network (FSN), Motor Activities Training Program (MATP), Young Athletes

EXECUTIVE STAFF:

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