



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 1971

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2014 census):

Registered athletes:	12,413
Coaches:	1,259
Competitions:	164

Support:

Recipient of government, corporate and individual funding

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- Participated in the 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Athens, Greece
- Participated in the 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games in PyeongChang, South Korea

19 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Alpine Skiing	Aquatics	Athletics	Basketball
Bocce	Bowling	Cross Country Skiing	Figure Skating
Floor Hockey	Football (Soccer)	Golf	Gymnastics (Artistic)
Handball	Horseshoes	Power Lifting	Snowshoeing
Softball	Tennis	Volleyball	

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

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

EXECUTIVE STAFF:

Mr. Randy Reddick, Board Chair

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