



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 1972

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2014 census):

Registered athletes and participants: 10,030
 Coaches: 2,435
 Competitions: 140

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

16 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Alpine Skiing	Aquatics	Athletics	Basketball
Bocce	Bowling	Cross Country Skiing	Equestrian
Flag Football	Football (Soccer)	Golf	Horseshoes
Power Lifting	Snowshoes	Softball	Volleyball

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

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

EXECUTIVE STAFF:

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