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
SO Lebanon Athletes 10,194
Unified Partners 1,582
SO Lebanon Coaches 871
SO Lebanon Competitions 305

GOAL:
• Constantly seek to develop sports and programing targeting inclusion.
• Target local schools and universities to spread Unified Sports programming and braking barriers through sports
• Constantly spread awareness about the abilities of people with intellectual disabilities within their communities to seek opportunities of inclusion
• Recruit and encourage families and siblings’ engagement to learn from them how to better serve the athletes and support them in their activities targeting inclusion.
• Provide basic and advanced training programs for coaches, mentors and volunteers
• Provide various programing for young Athletes
• Expand the provision of health programing including healthy community

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:
• 1991 World Summer Games Minnesota - USA
• 1993 World Winter Games Salzburg - Austria
• 1995 World Summer Games New Haven - USA
• 1997 World Winter Games Toronto - Canada
• 1999 World Summer Games North Carolina - USA
• 2001 World Winter Games Alaska - USA
• 2003 World Summer Games Dublin - Ireland
• 2005 World Winter Games Japan
• 2007 World Summer Games Shanghai - China
• 2009 World Winter Games Idaho - USA
• 2011 World Summer Games Athens - Greece
• 2013 World Winter Games Pyeong Chang
• 2015 World Summer Games Los Angeles
• 2017 World Winter Games Austria
• 2019 World Summer Games Abu Dhabi UAE
• 2023 World Summer Games Berlin

REGIONAL EVENTS:
• 1999 First Regional Games Egypt
• 2000 Second Regional Games Morocco
• 2002 Third Regional Games Lebanon
• 2004 Fourth Regional Games Tunisia
• 2006 Fifth Regional Games Dubai - UAE
• 2008 Sixth Regional Games Abu Dhabi - UAE
• 2010 Seventh Regional Games Damascus - Syria
• 2014 Eight Regional Games Cairo - Egypt
• 2019 Ninth Regional Games Abu Dhabi - UAE

**HOSTED 3 REGIONAL EVENTS:**
• Hosted 2002 summer games
• Hosted 2011 power lifting regional games
• Hosted 2012 table tennis regional games

**27 OFFICIAL SPORTS:**

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**OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:**
Young Athletes, families including siblings, Athlete Leaders, Health Messenger, Healthy Athletes, Healthy Community, Youth leaders’ engagement (Unified Schools | Unified Champion Schools)

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