



**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 2023 census):**

Registered Athletes and Unified Partners:	1,836
Coaches:	223
Competitions:	36
Volunteers:	1,480

**SUPPORT:**

Recipient of government, corporate and individual funding

**INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:**

- 2023 Special Olympics World Games, Berlin, Germany
- 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Graz, Austria
- 2015 Special Olympics World Games, Los Angeles, USA
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea
- 2011 Special Olympics World Games, Athens, Greece

**10 OFFICIAL SPORTS:**

Athletics	Basketball	Bocce
Bowling	Flag Football	Football (Soccer)
Golf	Short Track Speed Skating	Tennis
Volleyball		

**OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:**

Healthy Athletes, Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools®, Motor Activities Training Program (MATP), Special Olympics Unified Sports®, Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR), Young Athletes

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