



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 1969

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2017 census):

Registered Athletes and Unified Partners:	17,384
Coaches:	4,970
Competitions:	3,033

SUPPORT:

Contributions and Grants (73%), Special Events (33%), Investment Income (-7%), Other (1%)

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2019 Special Olympics World Games, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Graz and Schladming, Austria
- 2015 Special Olympics World Games, Los Angeles, California, USA
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea
- 2011 Special Olympics World Games, Athens, Greece

23 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Alpine Skiing	Aquatics (Swimming)	Ballroom Dancing	Basketball
Bowling	Bocce	Corn Toss	Cycling
Distance Run & Walk	Equestrian	Flag Football	Golf
Gymnastics	Horseshoes	Motor Activities	Powerlifting
Soccer	Softball	Snowboarding	Snowshoeing
Track & Field	Triathlon	Volleyball	

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Healthy Athletes, Young Athletes Program, Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools®, Champions Together, Special Olympics Unified Sports®, and Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR)

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