

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 1968

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2021 census):

Registered Athletes and Unified Partners: 2,472 Coaches: 355 Competitions: 80

SUPPORT:

Recipient of corporate and individual funding

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2019 Special Olympics World Games, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Graz, Austria
- Participated in the 2011 Special Olympics World Games in Athens, Greece
- Participated in the 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games in PyeongChang, South Korea
- Participated in the 2015 Special Olympics World Games in Los Angeles, CA USA

19 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

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Alpine Skiing	Aquatics (Swimming)	Athletics	Basketball
Bocce	Bowling	Candlepin Bowling	Cross Country Skiing
Equestrian	Flag Football	Floor Hockey	Football (Soccer)
Golf	Motor Activities	Sailing	Snowshoeing
Softball	Speed Skating	Tennis	

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

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

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