



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 1975

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2023 census):

Registered Athletes and Unified Partners:	3,013
Coaches:	441
Competitions:	91
Volunteers:	3,400

SUPPORT:

Recipient of government, corporate and individual funding

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2015 Special Olympics World Games, Los Angeles, USA
- 2011 Special Olympics World Games, Athens, Greece

16 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Athletics	Basketball	Bocce	Bowling	Cheerleading
Equestrian	Flag Football	Football (Soccer)	Golf	Powerlifting
Roller Skating	Sailing	Softball	Swimming	Tennis
Volleyball				

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

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

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