



**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 1972

**PARTICIPANTS (per the 2017 census):**

Registered Athletes and Unified Partners: 4,403  
 Coaches: 1,945  
 Competitions: 272

**SUPPORT:**

Recipient of corporate and individual funding

**INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:**

- 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games, 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

**14 OFFICIAL SPORTS:**

|               |                     |                      |                   |
|---------------|---------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Alpine Skiing | Aquatics (Swimming) | Athletics            | Basketball        |
| Bocce         | Bowling             | Cross Country Skiing | Football (Soccer) |
| Golf          | Powerlifting        | Snowboarding         | Snowshoeing       |
| Softball      | Volleyball          |                      |                   |

**OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:**

Athlete Leadership, Oregon Team Wellness/Healthy Athletes, Special Olympics Unified Sports®, Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR), Motor Activities Training Program (MATP)

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