

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 1999 and was accredited by Special Olympics, Inc., in 2001

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2015 census):

Registered athletes and Unified partners: 7,327
Coaches: 642
Competitions: 7

GOAL

To reach 6,000 athletes and participants by the end of 2016

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (4 athletes)
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Athens, Greece (6 delegates)
- 2010 Special Olympics Global Congress, Marrakech, Morocco
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai, China (6 delegates)
- 2003 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Dublin, Ireland (6 delegates)

2 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Athletics, Football (Soccer)

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Family Support Network (FSN), Young Athletes

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES:

Siswati and English

EXECUTIVE STAFF:

Ms. Fikile Shongwe-Hlatshwayo, Board Chair

Ms. Babazile Debra Langa, National Director

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