



**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 2015 census):**

Registered athletes and Unified partners:	12,250
Coaches:	1,583
Competitions:	2,500

**SUPPORT:**

Recipient of government, corporate and individual funding

**INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:**

- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Athens, Greece

**18 OFFICIAL SPORTS:**

Alpine Skiing	Aquatics	Athletics	Basketball
Bocce	Bowling	Cross Country Skiing	Figure Skating
Floor Hockey	Football (Soccer)	Golf	Power Lifting
Roller Skating	Sailing	Short Track Speed Skating	Softball
Tennis	Volleyball		

**OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:**

Athlete Leadership, Global Messengers, Healthy Athletes, Young Athletes, Project UNIFY, Unified Sports, and Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR)

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