

#### 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 1995

# PARTICIPANTS (per the 2015 census):

Registered athletes and Unified partners: 2,390 Coaches: 590 Competitions: 49

### **INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:**

- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA (70 athletes)
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea (30 athletes)
- 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Athens, Greece (70 athletes)
- 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Nagano, Japan (26 athletes)
- 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Shanghai, China (60 athletes)

### **16 OFFICIAL SPORTS:**

Alpine Skiing	Aquatics	Athletics	Basketball
Bocce	Cross Country Skiing	Cycling	Equestrian
Floorball	Football (Soccer)	Golf	Judo
Petanque	Sailing	Snowboarding	Table Tennis

#### **OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:**

Athlete Leadership

## **EXECUTIVE STAFF:**

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