

ATHLETES

OUR VISION: RICH HIGH QUALITY ATHLETE EXPERIENCES

19,153

ATHLETES TRAINED/COMPETED

341

COMPETITIONS

46

INVITATIONALS



21

SPORTS OFFERED
+3 EMERGING SPORTS

ATHLETE GENDER

FEMALE 8,835



MALE 10,318



ATHLETE AGE

22+ **9,575**

16 - 21 **4,337**

8-15 **4,676**

6-7 **565**

HEALTHY ATHLETES

690

 SCREENINGS

YOUNG ATHLETES

231

 PARTICIPATION

UNIFIED SPORTS

75

UNIFIED COMPETITIONS



Launched 4-year plan to grow **Interscholastic Unified Sports** statewide. **Goal is 150+ high schools** offering bocce, track and field and/or soccer.

ATHLETE LEADERSHIP



- Hosted **2 Athlete Leadership Program (ALPs) University** trainings.
- Held second statewide **Athlete Congress**.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING:

40

Athletes were trained in: Global Messenger, Athlete Representative or Technology courses.

VOLUNTEERS

OUR VISION: COMPREHENSIVE, WELL-TRAINED AND COMMITTED VOLUNTEER BASE

30,000+

VOLUNTEERS PARTICIPATED

2,575

YEAR-ROUND YOUTH

11,201

YEAR-ROUND ADULTS

528

LOCAL PROGRAM LEADERSHIP ROLES

16

SPORTS DIRECTORS



COACHES

4,749



CERTIFIED

2,037

46

TRAINING SCHOOLS/
CLINICS HOSTED



402

COACHES/OFFICIALS/CLINICIANS TRAINED

KEY VOLUNTEER PARTNERSHIPS

PIAA OFFICIALS

1,050



FOUNDATION

OUR VISION: STRONG FOUNDATION THROUGH LEADERSHIP, TRUST AND FINANCIAL GROWTH

\$7,647,000

COMBINED GROSS REVENUE



INCLUDING

\$1,444,500

LAW ENFORCEMENT TORCH RUN
(LETR) EVENTS REVENUE



LETR events include 7 Polar Plunges, The Beaver Stadium Run, Tip-a-Cop and Torch Runs.

COST OF PARTICIPATION

COST OF PARTICIPATION FOR
ATHLETES AND THEIR FAMILIES

\$0



Due to hundreds of thousands of dollars of in-kind support and the generosity of our donors and volunteers, no athlete ever pays a penny to participate.



**Special
Olympics**
Pennsylvania

**2014
ANNUAL REPORT
SUMMARY**

*This annual report includes unaudited numbers.



OUR MISSION

Special Olympics provides year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.

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Allow us to better explain some of the terms included in our 2014 Annual Report:

- **Screenings:** Volunteer health care professionals provide free health screenings and education to our athletes in the form of eye, ear, dental and podiatry care, as well as physical therapy.
- **Healthy Athletes:** Is dedicated to providing health services and education to Special Olympics athletes, and changing the way health systems interact with people with intellectual disabilities.
- **Young Athletes:** Is a unique sport and play program for children ages 2 to 7 with intellectual disabilities. The focus is on fun activities that are important to mental and physical growth.
- **Global Messengers:** Are Special Olympics athletes who help spread the message and vision of the movement as well as the benefits they have gained by participating in Special Olympics.
- **Athlete Representatives:** Are responsible to represent all registered athletes in their Area/County program as a member of the Management Team.
- **ALPs University:** Athlete Leadership Programs University offers training to Athlete Leaders twice a year to further their knowledge base and provide certification in Communications, Sports and Governance.
- **Athlete Congress:** Hosted every 2 years, is a forum for Athlete Representatives to present recommendations to the SOPA Board of Directors for organizational change.
- **Local Program Leadership Roles:** The individuals who act as managers for our 56 city/county programs, and comprise our management teams, are primarily volunteers. They raise funds, oversee volunteers, help recruit athletes, and provide training and competition opportunities.
- **Sports Directors:** Sport Directors are experts who serve as an extension of the state sports staff, serving as the technical liaison on sport rules, training techniques and competition management.
- **PIAA:** The PIAA or Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, Inc. includes almost all of the public and many of the private junior high/middle schools and senior high schools in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- **Unified Sports:** Special Olympics Unified Sports creates an opportunity for people without intellectual disabilities to join in the sports experience by playing on a team with athletes with intellectual disabilities.
- **Interscholastic Unified Sports:** School-based Unified Sports program where students with and without intellectual disabilities are combined for school activities, youth leadership programs, and athletic competitions.
- **Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR):** The Law Enforcement Torch Run unites officers from law enforcement agencies and corrections departments across the state in a year-round effort to raise funds and awareness for Special Olympics.