

Corporate Volunteer and Customized Engagement Opportunities



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## Studies have shown...

that volunteer programs boost productivity, increase employee engagement, and improve hiring and retention. Research has also firmly established the benefits of volunteering to people's well-being, a sense of purpose, and physical and mental health.

Special Olympics Pennsylvania, Three Rivers Region proudly offers corporate volunteer days for local companies. We know that diversity, equality, and inclusion have been at the forefront of corporate culture in recent years. Special Olympics has strived for a world of inclusion since its founding in 1968 and by partnering with us you will be a leader in the community, breaking down barriers for your team and people with intellectual disabilities by improving team engagement through the joy of sports.

Our staff will work with you to organize the day(s) and ensure employees are informed, engaged, and excited to be on-site with Special Olympics athletes.

### Corporate Volunteers

#### **Opportunities**

Volunteer opportunities for our corporate groups are offered during our local and regional competitions and fundraising events, which typically occur on the weekends. These opportunities vary depending on the actual event and competition, its location, and the time of the year. This is your opportunity to actually work alongside the team of staff, coaches, and volunteers to lend a hand. For each of these events, we need hands-on volunteers willing to load or unload equipment, set up tables and tents, assist with water stations, and even cheer on the athletes as fans in the stands.



## WHAT A TYPICAL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY LOOKS LIKE

After we have the opportunity to learn more about your team and its goals, we can provide a list of upcoming events or competitions for your group to choose from as well as job descriptions and lists of tasks that we could really use a hand with.

Once we've decided, we will share a quick reference sheet on what to expect once you arrive, who the point people are for the tasks that are being requested, and just some basic information on the event itself. As a nonprofit organization that relies on volunteers, every person who attends will be helping us to accomplish our mission of providing opportunities for the athletes.

#### We also offer customized

## Corporate Engagement Opportunities

These activities will be planned to engage and get your team excited. We typically plan these activities during the weekdays for up to 15 people and request a minimum donation of \$2,500.

Your donation supports the teams of the athletes attending continue to compete across the state in competitions free of charge. Please reach out at least three weeks in advance as we need to work with athletes and their families to schedule these activities.



## WHAT A CUSTOMIZED VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT COULD LOOK LIKE

Once we get to know your team and its goals, we offer a unified sports experience on location.

#### What is unified sports?

Unified sports joins people with and without intellectual disabilities on the same team. It was inspired by a simple principle: training together and playing together is a quick path to friendship and understanding.

The unified sports experience could be:

- Unified bocce
- A fun cornhole tournament
- Even something a little more competitive if you're up for the challenge!

It's truly an inclusive experience. Our mutual goal is to break down barriers, so we will ask a Global Messenger an athlete, spokesperson, and leader who passionately speaks for a more inclusive world for people with intellectual disabilities to speak to your corporate team.

# Corporate Volunteer opportunities that employees will get excited about



Awareness and Fundraising Events



Sports Competitions



Unified Experiences



We welcome all groups who align with our mission and values, teamwork, perseverance, inclusion, health and well-being, and the constant pursuit of excellence.

Our goal is to provide a meaningful engagement opportunity for your employees to help them build relationships with their teams and improve company culture (and just have a really good time doing it!)

Thanks so much for your interest in helping Special Olympics, Three Rivers Region. Please click the link **HERE** to fill out a form that lets us know you're interested and we'll be in touch.

