



Guide For One-Day Volunteers

THANK YOU for choosing to volunteer with Special Olympics Pennsylvania (SOPA)! This event wouldn't be possible without volunteers like you. Here are some important things to know:



What do I need to bring?

- If you are over 18, please bring a state issued picture ID with you.
- Water will be provided at the venues, but we recommend that you bring your own water bottle as well.
- We strongly advise that you do not bring personal items. If you choose to, please make sure they can be secured on your person. SOPA will not be responsible for any lost or stolen items.

When should I arrive?

Plan to arrive 30 mins before your scheduled start time. This will give you time to check in with volunteer registration and head to your venue.

If you have not already received volunteer training, it will take place at your venue before competition starts.

Who should I look for?

At each venue, you should be able to identify the following individuals:

- Venue Coordinator: Can be identified by their committee shirt or polo; venue coordinators are available for venue and competition related questions.
- PIAA/Other Officials: Traditional officials' uniform or white SOPA official t-shirt; available for sports and rules specific questions.
- Volunteer Coordinator: Can be identified by their committee shirt or polo; volunteer coordinators are available for volunteer schedules and training.

What is provided for volunteers?

- All volunteers will receive a t-shirt that must be worn during the event.
- Lunch will be provided. Lunch times will vary, as times need to be staggered to allow for a smooth competition.
- Most importantly, volunteers can enjoy a day of fun, joy and excitement!

