



Special Olympics World Summer Games Los Angeles 2015

Special Olympics, the global leader for people with intellectual disabilities, will hold the world's largest largest sports and humanitarian event in the world capital for media and entertainment in 2015, uniting the world through sports in a celebration of the abilities and accomplishments of people with intellectual disabilities and forming a new global vision of acceptance.

- Who:** 7000 Special Olympics athletes from 170 nations
40,000 Volunteers
500,000 Spectators
- What:** Special Olympics World Summer Games Los Angeles 2015
- When:** Summer 2015 (dates still to be announced)
- Where:** Los Angeles, California
- Vision:** Special Olympics World Summer Games Los Angeles 2015 will be a milestone event of a long-lasting movement, founded in 1968 by Eunice Kennedy Shriver, to create a world that is not dominated by those who are excluded but by those who are included. The biennial World Games are the flagship event of the Special Olympics movement, and in 2015 the world's largest sports and humanitarian event will come to the world capital for media and entertainment.
- Sports:** Special Olympics athletes from every corner of the globe will compete in 21 Olympic-type sports across the LA area; sporting events are open to the public and FREE of charge.
- World Games: Preceding LA 2015:**
- SUMMER:
- Shanghai, China 2007
 - Athens, Greece 2011
- WINTER:
- Boise, Idaho 2009
 - PyeongChang, Korea 2013

Special Olympics Southern California (SOSC):

Individuals who would like to volunteer with Special Olympics Southern California prior to the 2015 World Summer Games may visit www.sosc.org to learn about opportunities in their community.

SOSC has 9,200 athletes and 15,000 coaches and volunteers; Sports Offered: Spring/Summer: Athletics, Aquatics, Basketball, Bocce, Golf, Gymnastics Fall/Winter: Bowling, Floor Hockey, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Volleyball; **Contact:** Special Olympics Southern California Headquarters 6730 East Carson Street, Long Beach, CA 90808 Phone 562.354.2600, info@sosc.org

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