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Sports Programs Offered
Alpine Skiing
Athletics
Basketball
Bocce
Bowling
Cheerleading
Cross Country
Cycling
Figure Skating
Flag Football
Floor Hockey
Golf
Powerlifting
Snowshoeing
Soccer
Softball
Speed Skating
Swimming
Tennis
Volleyball

Created by the Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. Foundation for the benefit of persons with intellectual disabilities.
OUR MISSION

The mission of Special Olympics is to provide 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.

OUR PURPOSE

Special Olympics Kansas is dedicated to empowering individuals with intellectual disabilities to become physically fit, productive and respected members of society through sports competitions, health and nutrition programs and leadership development. Offering year-round initiatives to children and adults with intellectual disabilities, Special Olympics Kansas is a platform for acceptance and inclusion as well as one of the largest advocates for healthy lifestyles in the state – regardless of race, religion, ethnicity or cultural differences.

It is our belief that participation in sports enables challenges and opportunities to be introduced to the participants teaching them teamwork, decision making, leadership, goal-setting, perseverance, commitment and sportsmanship, while developing self-confidence, self-esteem, character and integrity.

There is something about the thrill of competition. The sweat, the hustle, the effort that comes with doing your best. The joy of victory, the challenge of falling behind, the support of a team and the encouragement of a cheering crowd.

Behind it all – there is achievement.

OUR ATHLETES

Our inclusive programs are for everyone who enjoys playing sports. Participants include individuals from ages 2+ with intellectual disabilities.

They also include Unified teammates, individuals of all ages without intellectual disabilities who join our Unified Sports programs. Unified Sports bring athletes with and without intellectual disabilities together to play on the same team to inspire inclusion and foster friendship.

Through the power of sports, Special Olympics Kansas develops fit and healthy athletes, creates communities that are more understanding and accepting of people with intellectual disabilities and reveals and celebrates the champions among us.
2017 SPECIAL OLYMPICS KANSAS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Glen Grunwald, Chairperson
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Taylor Miller, Treasurer
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John Cassidy, Board Member
Dan Dolan, Board Member
Jennifer Hughes, Board Member
Rick Jones, Board Member
Tim Klein, Board Member
Tonia Lee, Board Member
Elena Lincoln, Board Member
Amy Loder, Board Member
Shannon Murphy, Board Member
Cory Powell, Board Member
Travis Salmon, Board Member
Sue Dower, Board Emeritus
Rick Chambers, Board Emeritus
Patricia Sweeney, Board Emeritus
Dave Quillen, Board Emeritus
Marilyn Richwine, Board Emeritus
Charles E. Watson, Board Emeritus

2017 SPECIAL OLYMPICS KANSAS STAFF
Chris Hahn, President CEO thru April 30
John Lair, President CEO beginning May 1
Donna Zimmerman, Sr. VP Communications
Tim Rehder, Sr. VP Program Operations
Luke Schulte, VP Development
Terri Price, VP Education and Health
Betty Werner, Director of Finance
Kate Buenger, Director of Development
Mitch Guthrie, Director of Development
Clint Armistead, Director of Sports
Sheri Stanton, Asst. Director of Finance
Lynda Krupp, Executive Assistant Operations & Communications
Michele Johnson, Program Operations Manager
Linda Hunt, Athlete Records Manager
Chris Burt, KC Metro & Southeast Regional Director
Krystin Guggisberg, North Central Regional Director
Mitch Guthrie, South Central Regional Director
Kim Pianalto, West Regional Director
Erin Fletcher, Director of Development & Grants
SPECIAL OLYMPICS KANSAS
LOCAL PROGRAMS

**METRO KANSAS**
- Atchison Aztecs (Atchison)
- Coffey County Crushers (Coffey)
- Douglas County Jayhawks (Douglas)
- Midwest Wildfires (Franklin)
- Ottawa Hurricanes (Franklin)
- Jefferson County Super Heroes (Jefferson)
- Blue Valley Blue Streaks (Johnson)
- Gardner Gold (Johnson)
- JCP RD Rangers (Johnson)
- Olathe Trailblazers (Johnson)
- Shawnee Storm (Johnson)
- Leavenworth County USD346 Jr. Jayhawks (Leavenworth)
- Tri-Ko (Linn)
- Agape (Miami)
- Frontier League Champion (Miami)
- Lakemary Stars (Miami)
- Louisburg Wildcats (Miami)
- Prairie View Buffalos (Miami)
- Three Lakes Co-op (Osage)
- Bonner Springs (Wyandotte)
- KCK Kings (Wyandotte)
- Timberwolves (Wyandotte)
- Wyandotte County Bears (Wyandotte)

**SOUTHEAST KANSAS**
- Allen County (Allen)
- ANW Co-op (Allen)
- Bourbon County (Bourbon)
- Fort Scott (Bourbon)
- Chatauqua / Elk (Chautauqua)
- Sedan Public Schools (Chautauqua)
- SEK InterLocal (Cherokee)
- New Hope Bulldogs (Crawford)
- Class Ltd. Pittsburg (Crawford)
- Haven Support Services (Crawford)
- Mosaic Pittsburg (Crawford)
- New Beginnings (Crawford)
- Chatauqua / Elk (Elk)
- Elk Valley (Elk)
- Class LTD Parsons (Elk)
- Rescare Kansas Parsons (Elk)
- Parsons (Elk)
- RTSSK Badgers (Elk)
- Montgomery County (Montgomery)
- Mosaic Coffeyville (Montgomery)
- ANW Chanute (Neosho)
- Rescare Connections (Neosho)
- Tri-County InterLocal (Wilson County)

**NORTH CENTRAL KANSAS**
- Brown Co. Developmental Services (Brown)
- Twin Lakes Tigers (Clay)
- Lakeside Pin Busters (Brown/Nemaha)
- Legends (Cloud)
- SEDC Magic (Dickinson)
- Junction City Pacesetters (Geary)
- Holton Bulldogs (Jackson)

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2017 State Softball Tournament
SPECIAL OLYMPICS KANSAS
LOCAL PROGRAMS CON’T.

NORTH CENTRAL KANSAS CON’T.
Holton Hurricanes   Jackson
Royal Valley Panthers   Jackson
The Roadrunners   Marshall
McPherson Bull Pups   McPherson
Beloit Area RostRockers   Mitchell
Baileyville Blazers   Nemaha
Wetmore Superheroes   Nemaha
Republic County ARC   Republic
Manhattan   Riley
Saline Co ARC   Saline
Smoky Valley Vikings   Saline
Topeka Jr. Blues   Shawnee
Topeka Shawnee   Shawnee
Sheila’s Purple Power   Washington
Game Time Living   Shawnee

SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS
Southern Wind   Barber
ARC Butler Blazers   Butler
Southern Wind   Comanche
Cowley County Dragons   Cowley
Harvey Co. Wildcats   Harvey
Southern Wind   Kingman
Southern Wind   Kiowa
Emporia Express   Lyon
Emporia Indies   Lyon
Hartford Jaguars   Lyon
Southern Wind   Pratt
All Stars of Hutchinson   Reno
Buhler   Reno
Hutchinson/Reno County Hawks   Reno
Nickerson South Hutch Cats   Reno
Air Capital Flyers   Sedgwick
Derby Free Spirits   Sedgwick
Haysville Hornets   Sedgwick
Greater Wichita YMCA   Sedgwick
Heartspring Hawks   Sedgwick
New Hope Jaguars   Sedgwick
Sedgwick County Thundercats   Sedgwick
Kansas Chaos   Sedgwick
Wichita Independents   Sedgwick
Wichita Jayhawks & Mustangs   Sedgwick
Wichita Saints   Sedgwick
Southern Wind   Stafford

WEST KANSAS
The Storm   Barton
ARC of Central Plains   Ellis
Hays Tigers   Ellis
Garden City Tigers   Finney
Dodge City Dodgers   Ford
Ulysses Special Olympics   Grant
Northwest Winds   Rawlins
Solomon Valley ARC Larks   Rooks
Russell Roughriders   Russell
Rescare Goodland   Sherman
Colby Angels   Thomas
NW Kansas Special Olympics   Trego

SPECIAL OLYMPICS KANSAS
LOCAL PROGRAMS CON’T.

2017 State Soccer & Bocce Health Promotions
STATE COMPETITIONS

John L. Cassidy Heartland Winter Games
February 1-3, 2017
Ski Events: Snow Creek
1 Snow Creek Drive
Weston, MO
Skating Events: Bode Ice Arena
2500 SW Parkway
St. Joseph, MO
February 18-19
Floor Hockey: University of Omaha
6001 Dodge St.
Omaha, NE

State Basketball and Cheerleading
March 16-18, 2017
Fort Hays State University
600 Park Streeth
Hays, KS

State Powerlifting
April 22, 2017
Haskell Indian Nations University
155 E Indian Ave.
Lawrence, KS

State Summer Games
June 2-4, 2017
Maize South High School
3701 N. Tyler Rd.
Wichita, KS

Charles E. Watson Softball & Golf Tournament
July 28-30, 2017
Golf: Sierra Hills
13420 E Pawnee
Wichita, KS
Softball: Two Rivers Youth Club
1700 N Ridge
Wichita, KS

State Soccer & Bocce Tournament
September 24, 2017
Lone Elm Park
21151 W 167 Street
Olathe, KS

Fall Sports Classic
November 10-11, 2017
Bowling: Park Lanes
7701 Renner Rd.
Shawnee, KS
Bowling: College Lanes
10201 College Blvd.
Overland Park, KS
Volleyball: Okun Fieldhouse
20200 Johnson Dr.
Shawnee, KS
WORLD GAMES
March 14-25, 2017
Graz, Schladming, Ramsau, Schladming-Rohrmoos
Austria

3,000 athletes
110 nations
1,100 coaches
3,000 volunteers
5,000 family / friends

180 figure skaters
250 speed skaters
1,160 floor hockey athletes
300 showshoeing athletes
390 alpine skiers
400 nordic skiers
120 snowboarders
200 stick shooters

Kansas Delegation

**Athlete Ashley Spriggs - New Hope Bulldogs**
Sport: Showshoeing

**Athlete Jerad Leatherman - New Hope Bulldogs**
Sport: Showshoeing

**Coach John Lair - New Hope Bulldogs**
Sport: Snowshoeing

**Corporal James Browning - Merriam Police Dept.**
Law Enforcement Torch Run Final Leg Runner

During their trip Special Olympics USA took part in “Host Town” activities where they enjoyed Austrian culture and cuisine by taking a tour of majestic Riegersburg Castle and touring the famous Zotter Chocolate Factory. At the castle, the team was greeted by Prince Emmanuel of Lichtenstein, whose family owns the castle. At the Zotter Chocolate Factory, Josef Zotter, known as the “Willy Wonka of Austria” was there to greet the team as they enjoyed a tour of the factory, tasting chocolate from bean to bars. The evening concluded with a party hosted by AMS, a semiconductor company in nearby Premstatten, that hosted and volunteer during host town all week. The following day, Special Olympics USA’s delegation split in half with teams competing in outdoor sports traveling West to Schladming and Ramsau while the indoor sports stayed in Graz for the duration of the Games. The Opening Ceremony aired live on ABC on March 18 and there were daily recaps on ESPN2. ABC aired a “Best Of” special on March 26 for viewers in America.
LAW ENFORCEMENT TORCH RUN FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS KANSAS

The Law Enforcement Torch Run began in Kansas in 1981. The LETR has grown to include all 50 states and more than 35 countries around the world raising more than $20 million annually.

In 2017 the KS LETR raised a record-setting $555,934.43 for Special Olympics Kansas. The KS LETR is the second highest source of revenue for Special Olympics Kansas, preceded only by donations.

More than half of the 74 participating agencies raised more than $3,500 through fundraising events.

Aside from fundraising, officers attended local, regional and state events to hand out medals to athletes and spend time getting to know them.

A total of 1,301 LETR participants took part in Torch Run events running 1,685 miles across the state.

2017 LAW ENFORCEMENT TORCH RUN EVENTS

Polar Plunges
Tip a Cop Events
Heroes Pull
Johnson County Sheriff’s Office Shoot Out
Southwest Truck Convoy
Northwest Truck Convoy
Emporia PD Golf Scramble
Cops at Donut Shops
Leawood PD Car Show
Saline County Sheriff’s BBQ
Prairie Village PD Golf Scramble
Shoot for the Gold
Dunk a Cop
Popcorn Standoff
Cover the Cruiser
Stop for the Cops at McDonalds
Torch Runs
Unified Run

2017 State Summer Games
TOP 10 FUNDRAISING AGENCIES

1. Topeka Police Department $38,932.90
2. Pittsburg Police Department $37,974.58
3. Merriam Police Department $25,600.27
4. Lawrence Police Department $24,498.15
5. Shawnee Police Department $23,723.50
6. Emporia Police Department $20,893.97
7. Prairie Village Police Department $20,877.30
8. Lyon County Sheriff Office $20,275.59
9. Olathe Police Department $19,239.47
10. Johnson County Sheriff Office $18,473.28

2017 PARTICIPATING KANSAS AGENCIES

230th Basic Class KLETC
Air Force 10 ASOS
Anderson County SO
Andover PD
Atwood PD
Augusta PD
Butler County SO
Capitol Police
Cherokee County SO
Cheyenne County SO
Coffey County SO
Colby PD
Dodge City PD
Douglas County SO
El Dorado Correctional Facility
Ellis County SO
Ellsworth Correctional Facility
Emporia PD
Ford County SO
Ft. Leavenworth
Garden City PD
Gardner PD
Goodland PD
Graham County SO
Gray County SO
Greenwood County SO
Haskell County SO
Hays PD
Haysville PD
Hodgeman County SO
JC Park PD
Johnson County SO
Junction City PD
Kansas Dept. Wildlife and Parks
KCK PD
Kansas Highway Patrol
Lawrence PD
Leavenworth County SO
Leawood PD
Lenexa PD
Logan County Sheriff’s Office
Lyon County SO
Maize
McConnell AFB
McPherson SO
Meade PD
Merriam PD
Mission PD
Norton Correctional
Oakley PD
Olathe PD
Osawatomie PD
Ottawa County Sheriff’s Office
Ottawa PD
Overland Park PD
Pittsburg PD
Pottawatomie County SO
Prairie Village PD
Reno County SO
Riley County PD
Salina PD
Saline County SO
Sedgwick County SO
Shawnee County SO
Shawnee PD
Sheridan County SO
Sherman County Sheriff’s Office
Spring Hill PD
Thomas County Sheriff’s Office
Topeka PD
Topeka Women’s Correctional Facility
Wichita PD
Wyandotte County SO
AWARDS AND HONORS

BIG 12 FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

Casey Hostetler
Haysville Hornets

ATHLETE HALL OF FAME

Ashley Spriggs
New Hope Bulldogs

Casey Leatherwood
Dodge City Dodgers

Michael Camp
Wichita Independents

Phillip Kunkel
Wichita Independents

Steven Riebel
Allen County

MAKING A DIFFERENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS

Sue Elliott
Coach of the Year

Michelle Leatherwood
Program Volunteer

Knights of Columbus State Council
Business of the Year

Ryan Prothe Family
Family of the Year

Denise Mentlick
Special Event Coordinator

RICHARD LAMUNYON HALL OF FAME

Detective Kristi Powell
Topeka Police Department
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<td>1</td>
<td>First state in the nation and world to organize and implement the Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) in 1981</td>
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<td>Sports offered</td>
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<td>Unified Champion Schools in Kansas</td>
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<td>Years of the annual Sports Memorabilia Auction in Wichita to benefit SOKS</td>
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<td>Years of the Wilt Chamberlin KU Mens’ Basketball Clinic</td>
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<td>40</td>
<td>Young athletes ages 2-7 participating in programs to develop motor skills</td>
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<td>52</td>
<td>Percentage of Special Olympics adults that have jobs</td>
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<td>59</td>
<td>Delegation of athletes, coaches, Unified partners and LETR selected to represent SOKS at the 2018 Special Olympics USA Games in Seattle</td>
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<td>76</td>
<td>State, regional and local competitions</td>
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<td>102</td>
<td>Local programs and teams</td>
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<td>438</td>
<td>Athletes screened at Healthy Athlete events</td>
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<td>501</td>
<td>Unified partners competing together on teams with disabled and non-disabled athletes</td>
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<td>591</td>
<td>Certified and assistant coaches training athletes across the state</td>
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<td>1,074</td>
<td>Athletes participating in health and wellness programs</td>
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<td>1,301</td>
<td>Law Enforcement personnel participating in the Torch Run</td>
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<td>1,685</td>
<td>Miles run across Kansas during the Torch Run</td>
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<td>4,279</td>
<td>Registered family members</td>
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<td>4,367</td>
<td>Registered athletes</td>
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<td>9,000</td>
<td>Number of volunteers needed to run competitions and fundraisers</td>
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<td>23,885</td>
<td>Medals and ribbons awarded at competitions</td>
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<td>28,153</td>
<td>Meals served to athletes at competitions</td>
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<td>$89,814</td>
<td>Value of free Healthy Athlete screenings</td>
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<td>201,236</td>
<td>E-Newsletter recipients</td>
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## 2017 FINANCIALS

Special Olympics Kansas  
**UNAUDITED STATEMENT of REVENUES and EXPENSES**  
Year Ending December 31, 2017

### REVENUES

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<td>Foundations/Grants</td>
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<td>Investment Income</td>
<td>$41,923</td>
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<td>Interest</td>
<td>$11,184</td>
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<td>LETR</td>
<td>$537,450</td>
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<td>Merchandise</td>
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<td>Special Events</td>
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<td>Add. Restricted Income</td>
<td>$133,454</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$2,462,359</strong></td>
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<td>Volunteers</td>
<td>$4,488,540</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>$4,897,721</strong></td>
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### TOTAL REVENUES

**$7,360,080**

### EXPENSES

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<td>Fundraising</td>
<td>$421,943</td>
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<td>Mgmt &amp; General</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$2,302,147</strong></td>
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### CHANGE IN NET ASSETS

**$160,212**
REVENUE SOURCES

- Donations: 30%
- LETR: 21%
- Special Events: 19%
- Game Sponsorships: 10%
- Foundations / Grants: 8%
- Add. Restricted Income: 5%
- Program Assessment: 3%
- Investment Income: 2%
- Merchandise: >1%
- Interest: >1%

EXPENSES

- Program Services: 71%
- Fundraising: 18%
- Management & General: 11%

2017 Polar Plunge: Haysville
“Let me win. But if I cannot win, Let me be brave in the attempt.”
- athlete oath