

# Special Olympics Ontario Provincial Summer Games

July 13 - 16, 2017



# People with Intellectual Disabilities

Still among the most vulnerable populations in the world. Compared to the general population, individuals with an intellectual disability experience multiple obstacles:

- ❖ Less likely to be employed
- ❖ More likely to be victims of violence and abuse
- ❖ Trouble finding and paying for quality health care
- ❖ More likely to face obesity and related health problems

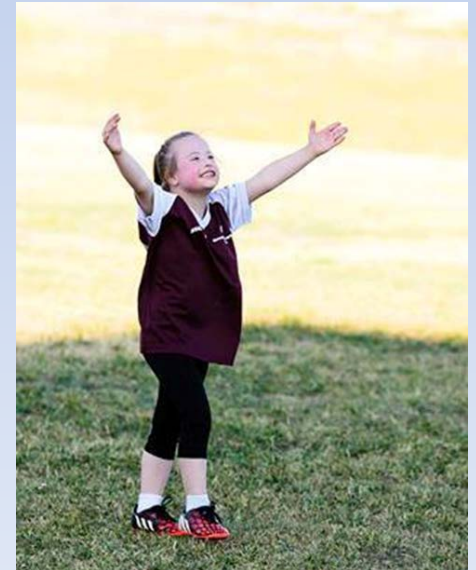


# What is Special Olympics?

- ❖ **Special Olympics is an organization dedicated to enriching the lives of individuals with an intellectual disability (ID) through active participation in sport.**
- ❖ **Special Olympics is more than an event, it delivers world-class sport programs daily, in over 170 countries worldwide.**
- ❖ **Today, Special Olympics is a lifetime experience. It encompasses year-round opportunities in sport, competition, health, education and inclusion.**
- ❖ **Special Olympics is the only organization authorized by the International Olympic Committee to use the word “Olympics” worldwide**
- ❖ **In Canada, the organization serves over 40,000 athletes, with almost half of Canada’s Special Olympics athletes residing in Ontario (over 22,000)**

# More Than Just Sports

- ❖ **Sports & Competitions - 18 different sports between Spring, Summer and Winter**
- ❖ **Healthy Living - PAHL (Physical Activity Healthy Living), Health Screenings, Nutrition**
- ❖ **Education – School Championships**
- ❖ **Leadership – Athlete Leadership Program**
- ❖ **Community – 7 Districts across Ontario**



# Special Olympics in the Region of Peel

- ❖ Over 850 registered athletes
- ❖ Numerous sports programs such as;
  - ❑ 5 & 10 Pin Bowling
  - ❑ Basketball
  - ❑ Golf
  - ❑ Soccer
  - ❑ Bocce
  - ❑ Floor Hockey
  - ❑ Swimming



- ❖ 2014 Summer National Games held in Vancouver – Basketball and Golf medal winners
- ❖ 2015 - Los Angeles World Games – Local athlete represented Mississauga in Golf
- ❖ Over 40 local athletes have qualified for the Games

# OUR GAMES



# Our Games!

- ❖ Hosted by a police service since 1996
- ❖ July 13th – 16th, 2017
- ❖ 780 Athletes
- ❖ 250 Coaches & Team Managers
- ❖ Countless Family and Friends
- ❖ Opening and Closing Ceremonies
- ❖ 5 Athlete Villages & 5 Sporting Venues



*"Let me win. But if I cannot, let me be brave in the attempt"*

# SPORTS

- Athletics
- Golf
- Bocce
- Softball
- Soccer





# Sporting Venues



**Terry Fox Stadium**  
*Athletics*



**Dunton Park**  
*Softball*



**Century Gardens**  
*Bocce*



**Huron Park  
Recreation Centre**

*Soccer*



**Caledon Country Club**  
*Golf*

# Athlete Villages



Sheridan College, Brampton



Quality Inn, Mississauga



Sandman Hotel  
Mississauga

U of Toronto, Mississauga



Toronto West  
Mississauga





# **OPENING & CLOSING CEREMONIES POWERADE CENTRE, BRAMPTON**



**OPENING CEREMONIES  
Thursday, July 13th, 2017**

**CLOSING CEREMONIES  
Saturday, July 15th, 2017**

***Reaching up, Reaching Out Together***

# Working in Partnership with our Community

*Reaching Up, Reaching Out Together*

There are so many ways the community can show their support;

- ❖ **Adopt-an-Athlete**
- ❖ **Donations & Sponsorship**
- ❖ **Volunteer – Individual or Team**
- ❖ **Advertise the Games – Intranet, Internal T.V., Electronic Billboards, Website, Tweets**
- ❖ **Attend the Games – Come out and support our athletes!**



**Special Olympics**

**Brampton**



**Kingston Gold Medal Winners 2016**

