

# 2023 FACT SHEET



## SPECIAL OLYMPICS MISSOURI

Special Olympics transforms lives through the joy of sport, every day, everywhere. We are the world's largest sports organization. We are also a global social movement. With initiatives to activate youth, engage kids and adults with intellectual disabilities, build communities and improve the health of our athletes - we're changing the game for people young and old.

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National Banner Schools: Festus High School, Ste. Genevieve High School
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Statewide Partners: Missouri Association of Student Councils, Knights of Columbus, Law Enforcement Torch Run®, Diamond Pet Foods, University of Missouri System, MU Health Care, University of Missouri, Veterans United Home Loans
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Worldwide ranking of Missouri's Law Enforcement Torch Run® (SOMO.org/LETR)
- 16**  
Sports offered
- 33**  
Athlete Leadership Graduates (SOMO.org/ALPs)
- 38**  
Years of the Law Enforcement Torch Run® in Missouri
- 52**  
Years Special Olympics Missouri has been incorporated

**78**  
Percent of each dollar raised that goes directly toward program services+

**154**  
Unified Champion Schools

**205**  
Registered coaches

**288**  
Program events

**1,233**  
Health screenings performed for our athletes to educate and maintain their health

**2,048**  
Participants in the Polar Plunge (SOMO.org/Plunge)

**2,497**  
Participants in State events

**4,222**  
Active volunteers statewide

**37,463**  
Social media followers

**\$1.2 M**  
Total Law Enforcement Torch Run® funds raised

**\$4.57 M**  
Annual budget^

**12,491**  
Athletes statewide (including athletes, Unified partners, young athletes, UCS athletes and UCS Unified partners)

+ Based on 2022 Audit  
^ Based on 2023 Budget  
Annual information based on 2022 numbers & 2023 projections

