



## Your gift makes a difference in the lives of people who need it most.

### Contribute to Special Olympics Rhode Island today.

Everyone deserves an opportunity to have a full and enriching life. This is especially true for people with intellectual disabilities. Sadly, they too often live on the fringes of society and face barriers most of us would never encounter.

At Special Olympics Rhode Island, we use athletic competition as a springboard to a better life for people with intellectual disabilities. They find support and life-enriching interaction through our program, which is one of the most dynamic in the world. Each year, we

- provide over 1,600 year-round sports training and athletic competitions
- serve more than 3,000 athletes
- host over 40 statewide tournaments and competitions
- showcase 21 official and demonstration sports

### Year-round competition requires year-round support.

Special Olympics Rhode Island is active all year, and we rely almost entirely on private donations to deliver free services to more than 3,000 athletes and their families. Your support ensures that these athletes enjoy the camaraderie and interaction that help them live fuller, more independent lives.

### We're more than just a sports organization.

While athletic competition remains the foundation of our mission to enrich the lives of people with intellectual disabilities, Special Olympics Rhode Island is about more than just sports.

- Health screenings and education programs improve the lives of our athletes off the field.

Your financial support ensures these important services are available to Special Olympics athletes across the state.



## Make a gift. Change a life.

The work we do is respected and acknowledged throughout the state. Our events are well attended and are frequently covered by Rhode Island media. Being a corporate sponsor of Special Olympics Rhode Island gives your company visibility, exposure, and the benefit of being seen as a good corporate citizen. Most importantly, you'll support an organization that makes a direct and positive impact on the state's most vulnerable population.

### There are five ways to support Special Olympics Rhode Island.

You can support the organization in the way that works best for your company.

**Corporate sponsorship** – There are four levels of sponsorship: Platinum (\$25,000), Gold (\$15,000), Silver (\$10,000), and Bronze (\$5,000). Each provides high-level visibility at Special Olympics events and on the Special Olympics Rhode Island web site, as well as other benefits to your company.

**Event sponsorship** – You can sponsor an individual event like our annual Summer Games at URI, our Benefest, or our famous plunges. There are many opportunities for your company to gain exposure by supporting our well-attended events.

**In-kind contributions** – We always welcome in-kind donations of services or products that can help make our events successful and lower our operating costs. Food, beverages, office supplies, sports equipment — we welcome any donation of goods and services that our athletes can use.

**Targeted gifts** – We'll work with you to ensure your contribution goes to a particular program, team, or service we provide. Maybe you want to endow a staff position. However you want to help, we can find creative solutions to make certain your gift is used in the manner you desire.

**General giving** – We are grateful for our many supporters who give to Special Olympics simply because they believe in the mission and the people we're privileged to serve. We gladly accept undedicated, general corporate donations at any time.

## I want to donate to Special Olympics Rhode Island!

**My company wants to donate to Special Olympics Rhode Island.**

**Please contact me to discuss our participation.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company Address \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

I want to be more involved. Please send me information on how I can help Special Olympics Rhode Island (check all boxes that apply).

- I want to coach a team.
- I want to volunteer at events.
- I want to donate goods and services to the organization.
- I want to serve on the Board of Directors.







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for details on how your company  
can support the more than 3,000  
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