



SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEXAS PROVIDES YEAR-
ROUND SPORTS TRAINING AND ATHLETIC
COMPETITION FOR **40,773** CHILDREN
AND ADULTS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES.

VISION

It is our vision to become the premier provider of Special Olympics training and competition in the world. We approach each endeavor with a single intent - to improve the quality of life for our athletes.

The challenges of the future are embraced with enthusiasm and commitment, ensuring that the changing face and needs of our athletes are met.



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.

PARTICIPANTS

Special Olympics Texas is divided into four regions with 19 area offices. In Texas, 40,773 athletes participate in the program. Athletes may begin training as early as six years old, but must be eight years old to compete. Athletes must be 12 years old to attend Summer Games, Fall Classic or Winter Games.

Thanks to the Young Athletes™ program (YA), which launched in 2005, children ages two through seven can participate as an “Athlete in Training” in areas where the program is available.

COMPETITION

Special Olympics Texas is a year-round movement, holding more than 300 competitions annually on area, regional and state levels. Event divisions are based on age, gender and ability level to give athletes an equal chance to win. Each participant receives a medal or ribbon following their events.

Special Olympics Texas has three statewide events annually: Summer Games, Fall Classic and Winter Games, with locations varying every three years. Special Olympics, Inc. holds World Games every other year and USA National Games every four years.

SPORTS

Summer:

Athletics
Basketball
Cycling
Equestrian
Gymnastics
Kayaking
Soccer
Tennis

Fall:

Aquatics
Bocce
Flag Football
Golf
Sailing
Softball
Triathlon

Winter:

Bowling
Figure Skating
Powerlifting
Roller Skating
Speed Skating
Table Tennis
Volleyball

TRAINING

Special Olympics Texas athletes must train for a minimum of eight weeks prior to each competition. Volunteer coaches, who are required to first complete a certification program and attend seasonal training schools, are responsible for training the athletes. Competition officials and event directors are also required to attend training schools.

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are the lifeline of the Special Olympics program. In Texas, more than 47,000 volunteers dedicate their time to Special Olympics. These volunteers serve as coaches, officials, committee members, competition assistants, speech coaches and much more. There are more than 3,400 volunteer coaches involved in the program.

FUNDING



Special Olympics Texas is a registered 501(c)(3), non-profit organization supported by private donations from individuals, corporations and organizations throughout the state. Special Olympics is “the most credible charity in America” according to a survey in the Chronicle of Philanthropy.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information about Special Olympics in your area, contact the office below and follow us online:



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www.facebook.com/specialolympicstx



Twitter
www.twitter.com/SOTexas



VOLUNTEERS HELP CHILDREN AND ADULTS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES ACHIEVE THEIR DREAMS.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEXAS VOLUNTEER OATH

I promise to give of the time in my life, so that Special Olympics athletes can have the time of their lives.

I promise to support Special Olympics not just as an expression of charity, but as a form of respect for my fellow human beings.

I promise to spread the word of volunteerism because in giving, I receive so much more in return.

TYPES OF VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Special Olympics Texas offers year-round opportunities for involvement, with more than 300 competitions and special events throughout the state. Depending

GET INVOLVED!

Special Olympics Texas would not exist today and could not have been created without the time, energy, and dedication of thousands of volunteers. More than 47,072 volunteers dedicate their time to help children and adults with intellectual disabilities achieve their dreams. On behalf of the athletes we serve, thank you for your interest.



on the time you have available and what you would like to accomplish as a volunteer, we will find the right place for you! The following are some ways that you can get involved as a volunteer:

- Day of Event – *most popular role for new volunteers*
- Administrative
- Coach
- Communications
- Official
- Trainer
- Assistant Coach
- Committee Member
- Fundraising
- Outreach
- Unified Sports™ Partner

WHO CAN BECOME A VOLUNTEER?

Our volunteer base includes students, senior citizens, business groups, professional individuals, civic organizations, families, amateur and professional athletes, and coaches to name a few. In other words, ANYONE CAN GET INVOLVED!

There is **no experience required**; however, you must be at least 15 years of age, unless accompanied by an adult. Volunteers participate in an orientation prior to working with our athletes.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Contact your area office or the chapter headquarters for a complete list of volunteer opportunities and upcoming events. For the most up-to-date information, visit our website



at www.specialolympicstexas.org. You can also follow us on Twitter (www.twitter.com/SOTexas) and on Facebook (www.facebook.com/SpecialOlympicsTX).



THERE ARE 19 AREA OFFICES IN TEXAS PROVIDING LOCAL SERVICES FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEXAS ATHLETES.

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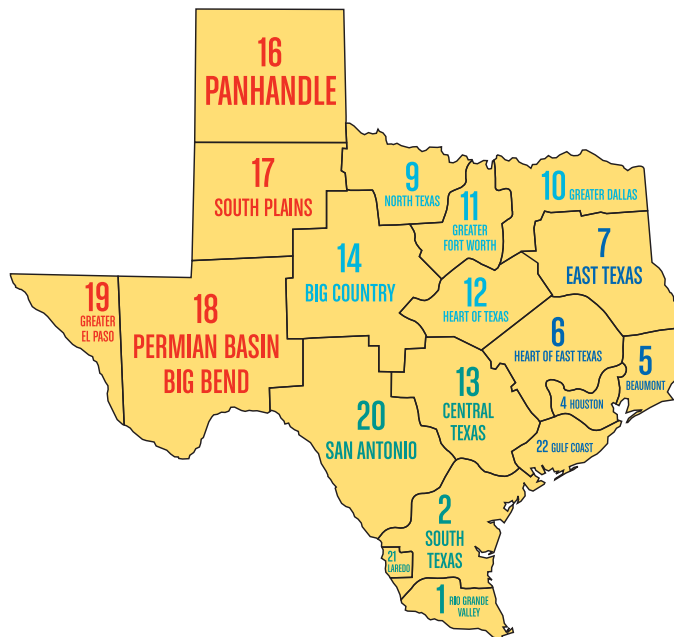
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El Paso, TX 79902
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PROGRAMS INCREASE INCLUSION OF PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES INTO THE COMMUNITY AND ENRICH LIVES.

ATHLETE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM (ALPs)



The ALPs program allows athletes to explore opportunities for participation in roles previously considered “non-traditional.” Through ALPs, athletes serve on the Board of Directors or local organizing committees. Athletes excel as spokespersons, team captains, volunteers, coaches and officials.

UNIFIED SPORTS®

Unified Sports® teams allow athletes to participate in sports activities with peers without disabilities. Unified Sports® teams are comprised of equal numbers of Special Olympics athletes, friends, family members, staff, or other partners. These teams practice and compete together against other teams of the same composition, or can compete on city or intramural leagues. It is truly an opportunity for everyone to get involved.



YOUNG ATHLETES PROGRAM



Young Athletes is a program for athletes ages two to seven. It focuses on developing fundamental motor

tracking and eye-hand coordination through physical play. This participation-based program also introduces the child to the world of sports and begins to prepare them for competition, which can start at age eight. Families are invited to attend a Future Stars Sports Day where the athletes demonstrate the skills they have learned.

MOTOR ACTIVITIES TRAINING PROGRAM (MATP)

The Motor Activities Training Program is a program designed specifically for athletes who are unable to participate in traditional Special Olympics sports. It was created to enhance individuals’ motor skills, sport skills and physical fitness.



After the eight-week training program is completed, a Challenge Day is offered that meets the needs of every participant and lets the athlete share his/her developed skills with family and friends.

PROJECT UNIFY - MEET IN THE MIDDLE



Project UNIFY - Meet in the Middle is a unique program that promotes acceptance and inclusion between students with and without intellectual disabilities in schools. Participants team up to promote advocacy, acceptance, friendship, fitness and sports opportunities. In an effort to support current school initiatives, fun activities are designed to align with state school standards, focusing on FitnessGram, school morale and attendance, and TAKS/ TAKS Alt. Benefits of participation include: character development, moral intelligence, leadership, fitness and positive impact on school culture, including bullying prevention.





ATHLETES IN TRAINING PROGRAM

ALLOWS ATHLETES TO COMPETE WITHIN THEIR PHYSICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM.

WHAT IS THE ATHLETES IN TRAINING (AIT) PROGRAM?

The AIT program is for athletes with intellectual disabilities who train in a Special Olympics Texas sport but have not competed during the calendar year. These athletes train under the umbrella of a school district or other agency and typically do not travel to train or compete outside their school or agency. Many existing physical education programs already qualify to participate in the program and students can receive recognition as Athletes in Training if teachers complete and submit a roster to their local Special Olympics Texas office. Recognition for students participating in the Athletes in Training program can include medals, ribbons and certificates.



HOW ARE ATHLETES IN TRAINING RECOGNIZED?

1. Athletes participate in sports-based activities in their schools or group living facilities. These activities can relate to any sport offered by Special Olympics Texas.
2. Teachers or staff must submit a roster to their local Special Olympics Texas office that includes the athletes' names (or initials), birthdates (or age range, for example 11-15 years old) and what sport they are active in.
3. Special Olympics Texas staff will come to recognize the athletes' efforts with certificates, ribbons or medals.
4. A special celebration day, such as a bowling trip, can be arranged and paid for by Special Olympics Texas. Simply contact your Special Olympics Texas area office for more information.

WHO CONDUCTS AN ATHLETE IN TRAINING PROGRAM?

The AIT Program is conducted by adapted physical education teachers, physical education teachers and classroom teachers who have recreation and leisure programs. AIT activities relate directly to current physical education curriculum. For more information on how AIT activities relate to TEKS requirements, contact your Special Olympics Texas area office.

HOW DOES A TYPICAL PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASS OVERLAP WITH SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEXAS PROGRAMS?

Most physical education classes incorporate a curriculum that includes Special Olympics Texas sports, such as athletics (track and field), soccer, basketball, softball, volleyball, bowling, powerlifting, table tennis and tennis. Students participating in related sports are already Athletes in Training.



FOR MORE INFORMATION



Special Olympics Texas is divided into four regions with 19 area offices. You can get more information about Special Olympics in your area by contacting the office listed below.



ATHLETE LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

GIVE ATHLETES OPPORTUNITIES ABOVE AND BEYOND COMPETITION.

WHAT ARE ATHLETE LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS (ALPs)?

ALPs give individuals with intellectual disabilities the opportunity to stand up and let their voices be heard, as well as teach them the leadership skills to help shape the direction and movement of Special Olympics. These programs put athletes in an environment where people listen to them and value them as individuals.



OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED FOR ATHLETES

ATHLETES ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEES

Athletes participate as active members of our Board of Directors and other state and local committees. The athletes are given instruction and practice in forming and articulating opinions, provided opportunity for group discussion, and taught techniques for gathering input from other athletes.



ATHLETE INPUT COUNCIL

Athletes have the opportunity to share ideas and opinions with other athletes at both the state and local level. Input Councils give athletes a chance to discuss important issues with other athletes, provide a format for athletes on committees to gather input on varying topics, and allow athletes to share information from their committees.

ATHLETES AS COACHES/OFFICIALS

This program provides athletes with readiness training and assists them in meeting certification requirements to become coaches or officials for Special Olympics and other community sports organizations.

SARGENT SHRIVER GLOBAL MESSENGER PROGRAM

This program prepares athletes to become official public speakers for Special Olympics. They recruit athletes, volunteers and sponsors. The purpose of this program is to allow the athletes to share their skills, experiences, opportunities and enthusiasm with others, and work to increase participation in all programs.



ATHLETES AS VOLUNTEERS

This program encourages athletes to become involved with Special Olympics Texas as volunteers. This type of leadership experience empowers athletes to fully participate in the events. These athletes learn new skills and serve as role models for other athletes in their community.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Special Olympics Texas encourages athletes to choose the type of leadership opportunities that they are most interested in pursuing. Training classes are offered to help the athlete learn the skills that are needed to be successful in the role they will fill. Special Olympics Texas also helps train volunteers, coaches, committee members, and others to work with athletes in a way that values athlete participation. If you, or someone you know, is interested in getting involved in ALPs, you may contact your area office listed below for more information, or you can contact the Director of Outreach and Families at 800.876.5646 or 512.835.9873.



UNIFIED SPORTS®

BRINGS TOGETHER ATHLETES WITH AND WITHOUT INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES.

WHAT IS THE UNIFIED SPORTS® PROGRAM?

Special Olympics Unified Sports® brings together athletes with and without intellectual disabilities to train and compete on the same team. Throughout the year, Unified Partners participate in a variety of sports to improve physical fitness, sharpen skills, challenge the competition and have fun!

Special Olympics adopted Unified Sports® in 1989 to expand sports opportunities for athletes seeking new challenges while dramatically increasing their inclusion in the community. Today, the initiative includes

almost all Special Olympics Texas sports. Unified Sports® competitions are an important part of Special Olympics World Games, as well as, local, state and National Games.



UNIFIED SPORTS® ENABLES ATHLETES TO:

- Learn new sports.
- Develop higher level sports skills.
- Have new competition experiences.
- Experience meaningful inclusion as each athlete is ensured a valued role on the team.
- Socialize with peers and form friendships as the program provides a forum for positive social interaction between teammates and often leads to long-lasting friendships.
- Participate in their communities and have choices outside of Special Olympics Texas. More than 3,000 athletes and partners currently participate in Unified Sports® programs in Texas in cooperation with schools, civic associations, Parks and Recreation departments, and other community sports organizations. These partnerships help further include athletes in their community.



UNIFIED SPORTS® ARE AVAILABLE IN THE FOLLOWING SPORTS:

Aquatics	Cycling	Powerlifting	Table Tennis
Athletics	Equestrian	Roller Skating	Tennis
Basketball	Figure Skating	Sailing	Volleyball
Bocce	Flag Football	Softball	
Bowling	Golf	Soccer	

CRITERIA FOR SUCCESS

Extensive field testing has demonstrated that Unified Sports® teams are most likely to accomplish goals of the program when the following criteria are met:

- 1. An appropriate sport is selected** - A variety of factors influence the determination of which sport is chosen for Unified Sports® training and competition. Some of these factors include availability of qualified coaches, ability levels of potential athletes and partners, finances, facilities and opportunities for competition.
- 2. Qualified coaches lead the program** - Unified Sports® teams should be organized under the guidance of a trained coach who understands the principles of Unified Sports® and the rules, techniques, strategies and training regimens of the selected sport.
- 3. Appropriate teammates are selected** - It is fundamental to the Special Olympics Texas experience that each participant on a team has the ability and opportunity to contribute to the team's success. Team members should have the requisite skills to participate on a Unified Sports® team without causing undue risk of injury to themselves or others. Additionally, team members should be matched by age and ability as specifically defined by the sport.
- 4. Quality training leads to competition** - All team members of a Unified Sports® team shall have a minimum of eight weeks of training (practice, scrimmages and league competition) before any Special Olympics Texas competition.
- 5. Unified Sports® rules are followed** - All Unified Sports® competitions should be conducted according to Official Special Olympics Texas Sports Rules, including placement of Unified Sports® teams in appropriate age and ability divisions.



YOUNG ATHLETES PROGRAM

INTRODUCES CHILDREN AGES TWO TO SEVEN TO THE WORLD OF SPORTS.

WHAT IS THE YOUNG ATHLETES (YA) PROGRAM?



The YA program is a sports play program designed to introduce children ages two to seven to the world of sports

prior to Special Olympics eligibility at age eight. The program utilizes physical activities to develop fundamental motor tracking and eye-hand coordination play. Children build these skills by participating in specific activities on a regular basis. The program concentrates

on applying the skills learned through these activities in preparation for Special Olympics sports competitions.



The YA program was developed in direct response to requests from families wanting to involve their young children in Special Olympics. The program is solely based on participation; there is no competition. The skills these children learn will improve all areas of their lives, including participating in future Special Olympics Texas competitions.

WHAT IS THE FOCUS OF YOUNG ATHLETES?

Students will work on skills as part of their school day. These skills may be in line with the student's Individualized Education Program (IEP) goals. One to two times a year there will be a culminating day called the Future Stars Sports Day, during which the students will demonstrate the skills they have learned for family and friends.

At age seven, Young Athletes will have the opportunity to participate at an area competition in two events. Here they can experience what competition and events are about at the next level.

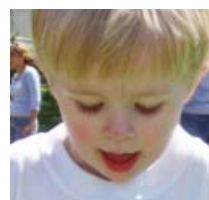
PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG ATHLETES



- Foundational skills
- Walking and running
- Balance and jumping
- Trapping and catching
- Throwing
- Striking
- Kicking
- Advanced skills

Children will learn these skills through a series of activities like bunny hop, obstacle course and bean bag throw.

WHO BENEFITS?



BENEFITS TO ATHLETES

- Socialization
- Coordination and strength building
- Awareness of self worth and self confidence
- Introduction to sports and preparation for competitions when they are of age

BENEFITS FOR FAMILIES

- Introduces families to the resources and support available within Special Olympics
- Offers families the opportunity to share in the success of their future athlete



MOTOR ACTIVITIES TRAINING PROGRAM

PROVIDES TRAINING AND PARTICIPATION TO
ACHIEVE PERSONAL BESTS.

WHAT IS MOTOR ACTIVITIES TRAINING PROGRAM (MATP)?

MATP is for athletes who cannot compete in official Special Olympics sports because they cannot physically perform movements or cannot follow the rules due to cognitive or behavioral limitations. The focus of MATP is on training and participation, rather than competition. For this reason, there are no official rules for competition. Emphasis is placed on achieving personal bests, and it allows for adapted equipment and physical assistance.



After the eight week training program is completed, a Challenge Day is offered that meets the needs of every participant and lets the athlete share his/her developed skills with family and friends. Participants are awarded based on participation, not place. Instead of competitions, there are skill stations where athletes are given the opportunity to demonstrate their personal best.



SEVEN BASIC MOTOR SKILLS

The purpose of MATP is to help develop and enhance motor skills that are directly related to those used in official

Special Olympics sports. MATP works with the following seven basic motor skills:

- Mobility** – leads to gymnastics and athletics
- Dexterity** – leads to athletics and softball
- Striking** – leads to softball, bowling and golf
- Kicking** – leads to soccer
- Manual Wheelchair** – leads to athletics
- Motorized Wheelchair** – leads to athletics
- Swimming** – leads to aquatics

OBJECTIVES

1. Orient coaches, therapists, teachers and parents to the basic methods in working with people with severe disabilities in a sport, as opposed to a therapeutic setting.

2. Acquaint coaches and others with the goals and objectives of the MATP and how it fits into the larger scheme of Special Olympics.

3. Provide coaches and others with the necessary skills to organize and conduct MATP for people with severe disabilities.

4. Provide coaches and others with the necessary skills to organize and conduct a Challenge Day for people with severe disabilities.



HOW TO GET INVOLVED

If you are interested in helping with the MATP or would like more information, you may contact your area office listed below for more information, or you can contact the Director of Outreach and Families at 800.876.5646 or 512.835.9873.



PROJECT UNIFY - MEET IN THE MIDDLE

BRINGS TOGETHER STUDENTS WITH AND
WITHOUT INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES TO
PROMOTE ACCEPTANCE IN SCHOOLS.

WHAT IS PROJECT UNIFY - MEET IN THE MIDDLE?

The Project UNIFY - Meet in the Middle program is a unique program that is changing the lives of students in Texas. Special Olympics Texas (SOTX) was awarded funding from the U.S.



Department of Education to implement the Meet in the Middle program in schools to promote acceptance and inclusion between students with and without intellectual disabilities. Set in a fun, interactive environment, participants team up to promote advocacy, acceptance, friendship, fitness and sports opportunities.

The Project UNIFY - Meet in the Middle program is now in its fourth year of existence and has grown exponentially in the number of participants. For the 2009-2010 school year, SOTX received \$285,000 dollars in funding to expand the Meet in the Middle program to more than 100 elementary, middle and high schools across the state in more than 40 districts.

WHAT ACTIVITIES ARE A PART OF MEET IN THE MIDDLE?

In an effort to support current school initiatives while promoting the vision of Project UNIFY, the Meet in the Middle activities are designed to align with state school standards. The activities focus on three priority areas:

1. FitnessGram
2. School morale and attendance (Focus: at risk youth and drop out recovery)
3. TAKS and TAKS Alt



Meet in the Middle students participate in a wide variety of activities, from writing a book report or creating a poster, to “buddying up” with a partner to walk laps on the school track. These assignments foster learning, compassion and fun.

WHY SHOULD A SCHOOL PARTICIPATE IN MEET IN THE MIDDLE?



The rewards that students and teachers receive from the Meet in the Middle program are endless. It is a win-win for everyone involved. Benefits of participation

include: character development, moral intelligence, leadership, fitness and positive impact on school culture, including bullying prevention.

Students enroll in the program with a campus coordinator, who will oversee the program. Student leadership is recognized and rewarded, while competitions between schools are encouraged. Each participating campus holds an end-of-year summit or rally.

Participants in the Meet in the Middle program receive personal rewards as well as tangible ones. Students can receive gift cards and other incentives for their efforts.



FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information about Special Olympics Texas and Project UNIFY - Meet in the Middle, visit www.mimtexas.org or call 800.876.5646.



Special Olympics
Texas



LAW ENFORCEMENT TORCH RUN®

IS SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEXAS' LARGEST GRASSROOTS FUND-RAISER.

WHAT IS THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TORCH RUN?

The Law Enforcement Torch Run® is Special Olympics' largest grassroots fund-raiser and public awareness vehicle. At its most basic level, the Torch Run is an actual running event where officers and athletes run the Special Olympics "Flame of Hope" to the Opening Ceremonies of Special Olympics Texas competitions. At its more extensive level, the Torch Run program encompasses a variety of fundraising vehicles in addition to the actual Torch Run such as t-shirt or merchandise



sales, donations or pledges for runners in the Torch Run, corporate donations, and special events such as Polar Plunges, golf tournaments or other events that have appeal.

HISTORY

The Law Enforcement Torch Run® began in 1981 when Wichita, Kansas Police Chief, Richard LaMunyon, saw an urgent need to raise funds for and increase awareness of Special Olympics. In Texas, the Law Enforcement Torch Run® began in 1985 and has grown to become one of the largest in the world, raising funds to support over 40,773 athletes.



In 2001, the Texas Torch Run® was the number one contributor to Special Olympics Texas, raising more than \$2 million. The perpetual goal is to recapture that title. Texas Torch Runners' goal is to raise more than \$1,000,000 this year.

Every two years, law enforcement officers representing their state, province or nation's Torch Run program comprise a Final Leg Team which carries the Flame of Hope to the Opening

Ceremonies of the Special Olympics World Games. In 2010, Eric Guerrero, Texas Department of Criminal Justice Senior Warden of the Segovia/Lopez Complex, participated in the Final Leg Run for the 2010 USA National Games. In June 2011, Lance Koppa of Highland Park



Department of Public Safety took part in the Final Leg Run for the 2011 World Summer Games in Greece. To highlight Torch Runners' efforts and Special Olympics in

the Lone Star State, close to 400 volunteers carried the torch more than 3,000 miles to Arlington to present it at Opening Ceremonies for the Special Olympics Texas Summer Games.

The Law Enforcement Torch Run® has dedicated itself to assure that all eligible individuals can participate in the Special Olympics program. To its athletes, Special Olympics is



much more than sports training and competition. It changes lives. Together, the Law Enforcement Torch Run® and the athletes of Special Olympics Texas are an inspiration to all.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information about Special Olympics Texas and the Law Enforcement Torch Run®, visit www.specialolympicstexas.org or call 800.876.5646.