Special Olympics North Dakota is part of a worldwide movement dedicated to empowering individuals with intellectual disabilities to become physically fit, productive, and respected members of society through sports training, healthy athlete initiatives and leadership development. Every year, Special Olympics athletes in North Dakota have an opportunity to take part in any of the fifteen sports offered: alpine skiing, aquatics, athletics, basketball, bocce, bowling, cross country skiing, figure skating, gymnastics, powerlifting, snow shoe racing, soccer, speed skating, team handball, and volleyball. They have opportunities to take part in local, district, state, national and world level competitions. Special Olympics sports brings out pride, courage and joy in athletes, while inviting families and entire communities to join in the celebration.

As Special Olympics moves into its fifth decade, we are gaining a new understanding of the importance of the Movement. In the relationships formed and in the examples set by the athletes the world sees a new way of thinking, feeling and acting. Special Olympics inspires people to accept, include and value people with Intellectual Disabilities.

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2014 State Competition Athlete Statistics

| Winter Games   | 153 | Valley City |
| Winter Games   | 449 | Minot       |
| Summer Games   | 537 | Fargo       |
| Soccer/Bocce   | 335 | Grand Forks |
| Bowling        | 593 | Mandan      |

Additional Statewide Competitions: 70
Statewide Volunteers: 4,900
Coaches: 307

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To provide year-round sports training and competition in a variety of Olympic type sports for persons eight years of age and older with intellectual disabilities, giving them the 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 Mission**

**Celebrations at a Glance**

- SOND reached a new milestone for participation, with more than 1,500 athletes registered to participate in year-round sports training and competition.
- More than 4,900 volunteers supported the program in 2014; 41% of the them were youth and young adults.
- Special Olympics North Dakota was designated a Project Unify program by the U.S. Dept. of Education. Grand Forks Central High School became the first school in North Dakota to officially establish a Special Olympics Partners Club. The University of North Dakota became the first in the state to establish a recognized Special Olympics College club.
- A delegation of 34 athletes and 10 coaches represented Special Olympics North Dakota at the 2014 Special Olympics USA Games, competing in the sports of Athletics, Aquatics, Bowling, Powerlifting, Unified Bocce, Unified Soccer, and Unified Volleyball. In total, Team North Dakota brought home nine Gold Medals, four Silver Medals, and seven Bronze Medals.
- The Law Enforcement Torch Run program raised more than $130,000 through events and promotions such as tee shirt and raffle ticket sales, the Truck Convoy, Applebees Tip-a-Cop Promotions, & Polar Plunges.
- The 5th Annual Dancing For Special Stars was a great success; raising a record $92,000 for Special Olympics North Dakota.
- Special Olympics and the Knights of Columbus, with support of the Supreme Council and numerous fundraising events held across the state, presented SOND $17,000 at their state convention. The 4th degree Knights of Columbus also provide their Color Guard at numerous state and local events in North Dakota.
- More than 70% of the volunteers at the State Bowling Tournament and 67% of the State Soccer/Bocce Tournament were youth volunteers.
- Special Olympics North Dakota was one of 2 finalists to host the 2018 Special Olympics USA Games. A site selection committee from across the nation visited Fargo-Moorhead in November 2014 to visit venues and engage with local supporters of Special Olympics.
- More than 60 coaches from across North Dakota participated in 9 certified coaches training schools to further their knowledge of Special Olympics and the sport they coach. In total, SOND has more than 180 certified coaches.

**2014 Annual Report**

**All Funds**

**Combined Balance Sheet**

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(Source - 2014 Audited Financials)

Cost per athlete: $1,007

**2014 Income**

- Contributions: $593,227
- Grants: 32,531
- Special Events: $289,754
- Interest/Other*: 389,539

*Reflects net of gaming

**$1,305,051**

**2014 Expenses**

- Program Services: $752,360
- General & Admin: 94,037
- Fundraising: 323,615

**$1,170,012**