Special Olympics Michigan State Fall Games Presented by: Real Estate One Charitable Foundation

Volunteer & Partnership Opportunities: Fall 2023

Three weekends of Special Olympics tournaments hosted in Oakland, Washtenaw, and Wayne Co. www.SOMI.org/FallGames



Join us in making an impact on the lives of hundreds of Michiganders with intellectual disabilities from all across the state, who will be gathering in Southeast Michigan for the culminating celebrations of their selected individual or team sport:

State Fall Games: Softball

- Presented by: Amerisure
- Friday, August 25
- @ Canton Softball Complex
- Tentative Time: 8:30am-5:00pm (half-day shifts available)
- Volunteer Roles include: score keepers, ball retrievers, announcer, meals/water assistance, and skills station workers.

State Fall Games: Golf

- Presented by: Amerisure
- Friday, September 22
- @ Eagle Crest Golf Course Ypsilanti
- Tentative Time: 7:30am-2:00pm
- Volunteer Roles include: golf cart drivers, course volunteers, skills station workers, awards tent / score crunchers, lunch helpers.

State Fall Games: Kayaking

- Friday, September 22
- @ Eastern Michigan Univ. Boathouse Ypsilanti
- Tentative Time: 7:30am-2:00pm
- Volunteer Roles include: Athlete assistance, score crunchers (limited volunteer roles @ this site)

State Fall Games: Cycling

- Saturday, September 23
- @ Chrysler Proving Grounds Chelsea
- Tentative Time: 7:30am-4:00pm
- Volunteer Roles include: lane assistance & course volunteers, awards tent / score crunchers, lunch helpers.

State Fall Games: Soccer

- Saturday, September 23
- @ Independence Park Canton
- Tentative Time: 7:30am-5:00pm (half-day shifts available)
- Volunteer Roles include: ball retrievers, scorekeepers, meals/water assistance, referees (as long as you have previous referee experience)

State Poly Hockey (Floor Hockey)

- Presented by: Water Warriors
- Friday, November 10
- @ UWM Sports Complex Pontiac
- Tentative Time: TBD; All Day (half-day shifts available)
- Volunteer Roles include: scorekeepers, awards tent / score crunchers, lunch helpers.

State Fall Games: Flag Football

- Friday, November 10
- @ UWM Sports Complex Pontiac
- Tentative Time: TBD; All Day (half-day shifts available)
- Volunteer Roles include: scorekeepers, ball retrievers, meals/water assistance, awards tent / score crunchers, lunch helpers.

State Fall Games: Unified Bowling*

- Friday, November 10
- @ Century Bowl Waterford
- Tentative Time: 8:00am-2:00pm
- Volunteer Roles include: lane assistance (shoe help, ball selection, monitoring + socializing w/ the athletes), awards area / score crunchers, lunch helpers
- *Unified Bowling means that this tournament will be a "doubles" tournament with one person in the pair being a Special Olympics Athlete, and the other being a "Unified Partner"

Special Olympics Michigan provides year-round sports & training, health & wellness, and anti-bullying education programs, all for the benefit of Michiganders with intellectual disabilities.

VOLUNTEER:

Volunteer groups are critical to the success of these major statewide events; we count on the support of dozens of corporate, civic, and social groups of volunteers to make these tournaments come to life.

- Volunteer groups are typically needed for an entire shift (minimum: 4 hour commitment)
- Volunteers will receive a t-shirt to wear while volunteering; a corporate branded t-shirt may be worn by the volunteer group instead if you prefer
- All volunteer shifts will have a variety of roles, from very active and mobile, to station-based and seated. Volunteer groups should be flexible and prepared to assist wherever needed; we can accommodate mobility limitations but cannot always guarantee specific assignments for most volunteers until the morning of the event.

SUPPORT:

Sponsorship opportunities are available that will connect your brand to the mission of Special Olympics Michigan. We invite corporations, civic organizations, family foundations, and individual donors to consider supporting at one of the following levels:

Presenting Partner: one sport (\$10,000)

Sports available: Flag Football, Unified Bowling, Cycling, Kayaking,

•Verbal Recognition @ all Medals Presentations for Athletes

- Company logo on signage in event venue
- •Company logo on event website
- •Mention and tagging in social media posts (35k+ followers)
- •Opportunity for exclusive employee engagement at the venue
- •Opportunity for brand engagement experience at the venue

Awards Partner (\$7,500)

- •Verbal Recognition @ all Medals Presentations for Athletes
- •Company logo on signage in event venue
- Company logo on Fall Games website
- •Mention and tagging in social media post (35k+ followers)
- Opportunity for employees / representative to be involved in awards presentation
- Opportunity for brand engagement experience at an Awards Ceremony

Ceremonies Partner (\$5,000)

- Verbal Recognition @ all venue opening ceremonies for Athletes
- •Company logo on signage in event venue
- Company name on Fall Games website
- •Mention and tagging in social media post (35k+ followers)
- Opportunity for employees / representatives to be involved in opening ceremonies

Athlete Partner (\$2,500)

- •Company name on Fall Games website
- •Verbal Recognition @ Opening Ceremony Event of one sport
- Opportunity for employees / representatives to have Athlete engagement experience

Additional Partnership Opportunities above \$10,000 and below \$2,500 available, with custom benefits.

Partnership Inquiries / Volunteer Group Confirmations may be directed to:

Ted Grossnickle | Director of Corporate Engagement & Events ted.grossnickle@somi.org | 248.931.0603 (call, text, whatsapp)

Sponsor Checks may be mailed to:

- Special Olympics Michigan
- 1150 Scott Lake Road, Suite 3a
- Waterford, MI 48328
- Invoices available upon request

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