



**Special Olympics**  
New York

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



**Service volunteers get their hands dirty!** All of these volunteers must be age 13 or older—and kids ages 13 to 15 must be accompanied by an adult.

## Sport Service Volunteer

**Class A:** Volunteers are persons with a high level of responsibility or authority with Special Olympics New York. Examples are: Coaches, Event Directors and Chaperones.

**Class B:** Volunteers are those who work at a specific event but do not have responsibility for that event or direct responsibility for athletes. Examples are: Timers, Scorekeepers, Officials, and Food Service Workers.

## Event Service Volunteers

Help with registration and check-in. Organize and run an Olympic Village Booth or help run an event.

**Social ambassadors capture and share the moment!** From various event venues, social media enthusiasts make a point to snap photos, write captions and share the excitement of the day using the event hashtags on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

**Fans in the stands cheer loud and proud!** At state-level competitions, these dedicated volunteers make sure that every athlete is buoyed by positive, thrilling support—whether their family is present or not. Volunteers of all ages are welcome to cheer and to visit the fan stations to make signs and boost the electric atmosphere even higher!

## Become a Coach

Volunteers interested in becoming a certified coach must be at least 16 years old. Although prior experience coaching or playing the sport is helpful, it is not necessary to become a coach.

## Behind the Scenes

Clerical support is always needed in our office. This includes helping with mailings, filing, copying and other office work necessary to run our training programs and events.

***If you are interested in becoming a volunteer please contact:***

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