



WE CHANGE LIVES.



42,000
ATHLETES



21,000
VOLUNTEERS



6,100
COACHES



22
SPORTS



9,000
UNIFIED



25,500
DONORS

Sports are for everyone.

We offer inclusive sports programs for everyone age 2 and up, of any ability level. There are more than 800 competitive experiences each year throughout the state. Additionally, through our Unified Sports® program, people with and without intellectual disabilities compete together on the same team. **Special Olympics New York does not charge its athletes or their families to participate.**



**Impact
to New York**

1,572,768

= Total Service Hours

\$37,353,230.50

= Value of Service Delivered

UNIFIED SPORTS



2022: 6,000

2021: 5,000

2020: 5,300

210 Unified
Champion Schools

36,800 students
cumulative since 2018

22 SPORTS

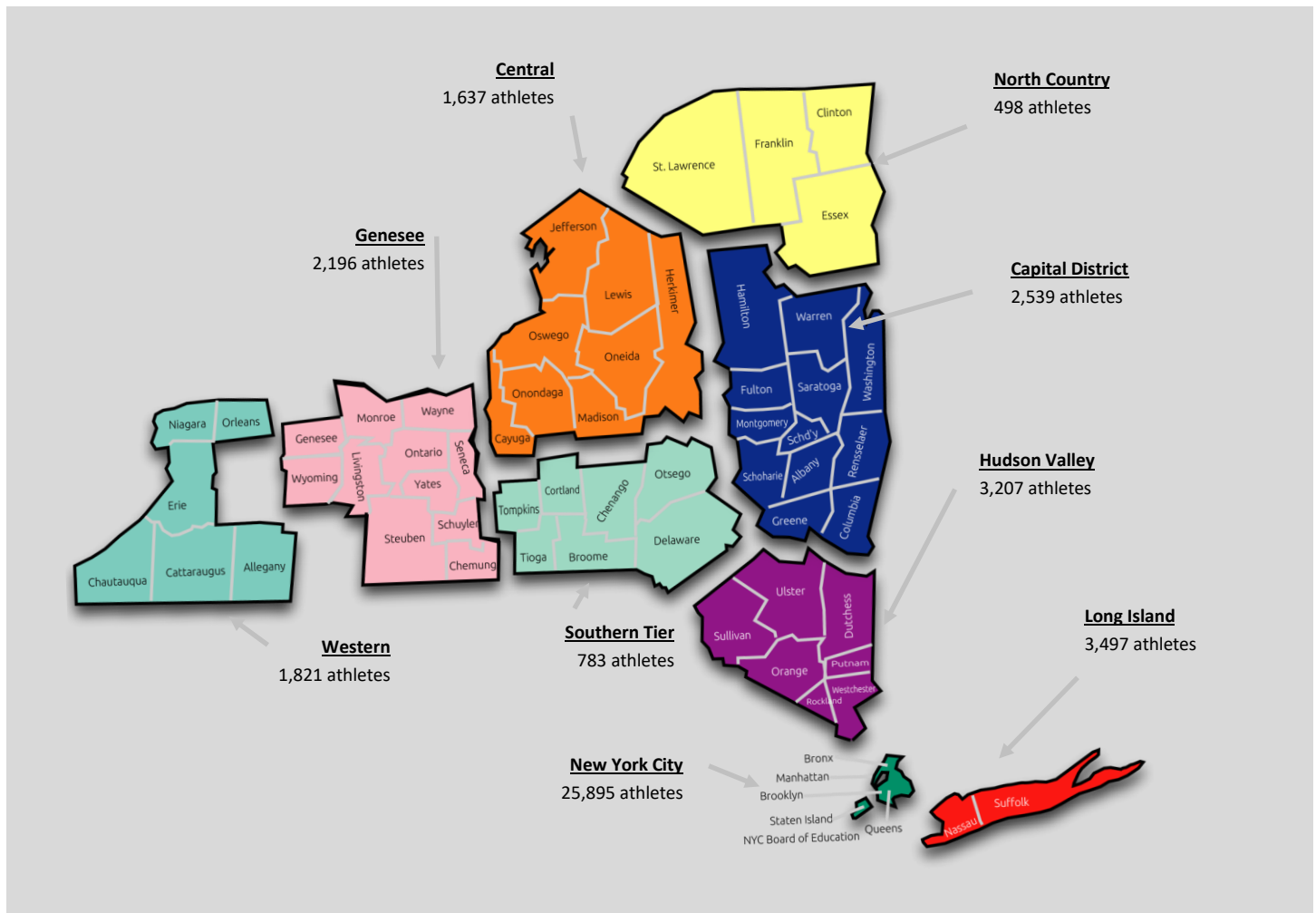
Swimming
Athletics (Track & Field)
Basketball
Bowling
Gymnastics
Powerlifting
Tennis
Volleyball
Bocce
Distance Running
Cycling
Equestrian
Golf
Snowboarding
Football (Soccer)
Softball
Alpine Skiing
Figure Skating
Floor Hockey
Cross Country Skiing
Snowshoeing
Speed Skating



**1,365
COMPETITIVE
EXPERIENCES**

An average of 3.5
per day statewide





Data for this document has been accumulated from the Special Olympics New York 2022 census.

Our History

Eunice Kennedy Shriver founded Special Olympics in 1968. Just one year later, Dorothy Buehring Phillips inaugurated the program in New York—and the state sent its first delegation of athletes and coaches to the Northeast Regional Special Olympics competition in Boston, Mass. Special Olympics New York was incorporated in 1970 with Phillips as its first State Director. In June 1970, Rochester hosted the first State Summer Games. Today, Special Olympics New York is the largest program in the United States and one of the largest in the world.

Our Mission

To provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-style 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.

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Statewide Newsletter: 68k subscribers w/ 40% open rate