

Distinguished Service Awards



**Special
Olympics**
Montana

The Distinguished Service Awards given by Special Olympics Montana provide a unique and important opportunity to recognize outstanding members of the SOMT community. You are invited to nominate these individuals and groups who have made significant contribution to the Special Olympics Montana mission.

Rules

Those submitting nominations are encouraged to include a detailed narrative describing the nominee's distinguished service and length of personal commitment to SOMT. Narratives should be limited to ONE type-written page. SOMT encourages supporting documentation but will accept only two additional pieces not to exceed one type-written page each.

Supporting documents may include: letters of recommendation, newspaper clippings, photographs, or videos (videos must be limited to 8 minutes). Reminder, only two additional pieces of supporting documentation will be accepted, in addition to the narrative and five questions in this form.

Anyone may submit a nomination and there is no limit to the number of nominations you may submit.

Submit Nominations to Mandy Patriarche, VP of Outreach at:
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PO Box 3507, Great Falls, MT 59403
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Forms can also be filled out online at somt.org/dsa

Nomination Categories



Special Olympics Montana Athlete of the Year

For the athlete who epitomizes the spirit of a true winner by a willingness to help others and give his or her very best while displaying outstanding courage and sportsmanship.

Outstanding Youth Volunteer

For the best example of volunteerism by a youth 18 years or under that serves to improve the quality of Special Olympics program and models a world of acceptance, respect, and inclusion.

Outstanding Local Special Olympics Program

For the accredited Special Olympics program that shows the greatest improvement, best exemplifies the Special Olympics spirit and concept, and provides a well developed year-round program for the athletes, coaches, volunteers and families of Special Olympics Montana.

Outstanding Support by a Business, Corporation, or Organization

For the business, corporation, or civic organization which, through its ongoing commitment has made significant contributions to Special Olympics Montana. Please specify if local or statewide basis.

Outstanding Media or Personality Support

For the newspaper, radio, or television outlet or personality which, through media support of Special Olympics Montana, has made significant contribution to the program.

Hall of Fame Award

Qualifying volunteer must have given a minimum 15 years of service to Special Olympics Montana. This award recognizes the lifetime achievement of an individual who has given exemplary service to the mission of Special Olympics Montana. This individual has charted new levels of excellence and enriched the lives of Special Olympics athletes and our community with strength of character, wonderful spirit, compassion and insightful leadership.

Outstanding Adult Volunteer

For the best example of a currently registered adult volunteer that serves to improve the quality of Special Olympics at the local, area or chapter level.

Outstanding Coach

For the volunteer or professional who, as a certified Special Olympics coach in any official Special Olympics sport, best demonstrates the high degree of technical skill, commitment and compassion needed to motivate and train athletes for competition and for life.

Outstanding Family

For the family of a Special Olympics athlete that makes unique and lasting contributions to the lives of individuals with intellectual disabilities or developmental disabilities through Special Olympics Montana.

Spirit of Special Olympics

For the individual volunteer who, through his or her long-term commitment to Special Olympics Montana, best exemplifies the dedication and unselfish efforts associated

Outstanding Unified Champion

For a K-12 Unified Champion school that effectively and successfully embraces Unified Sports, Youth Leadership and Advocacy, and Whole School Engagement.

Nominee _____

Award Category _____

Nominee's Information *(If Available)*

Phone- _____ Email- _____

Affiliation with SOMT _____

Nominator's Information Nominator's Name- _____

Phone- _____ Email- _____

Affiliation with SOMT _____

How does the Nominee support Special Olympics Montana?

How many years has the nominee been involved with SOMT?

At what level is this nominee involved with SOMT? (State, Area, or Local)

What qualifications & contributions does this nominee bring to SOMT?
