

# Impact Measures Glossary

**Play Unified. Learn Unified.**

For the SNF grant, there are 11 areas of impact that are being collected and measured. Listed below are the definitions for each of these key performance indicators.

1. **Unified Sports Teams:** a Special Olympics Unified Sports Team combines an approximately equal number of Special Olympics athletes (individuals with intellectual disabilities) and partners (individuals without intellectual disabilities) for regular training and competition.

*Collecting information for this metric:* In the context of the SNF Grant, this metric applies to the Unified Sports Player Development and Competitive Unified Sports models. This is the number of teams developed through an intramural, club sport at a local school or other local Special Olympics Club. The number of teams can be counted based on the team roster or event registration provided by a school based or community based Program funded by the SNF grant.

2. **Unified Partners (without ID) engaged:** Individuals without intellectual disabilities that train and compete as a teammate alongside Special Olympics athletes on a Unified Sports Team that is participating in a school based or community based Program funded by the SNF grant.

*Collecting information for this metric:* Unified Partners can be counted based on the number of Individuals without intellectual disabilities participating in Unified Sports (Player Development, Recreation, Competitive) held by a local Program funded by the SNF grant. This can be measured based on collected RSVPs or a list of attendees.

3. **Unified Sports Athletes (with ID) engaged:** Individuals with intellectual disabilities that train and compete as a teammate alongside partners on a Unified Sports Team that is participating in a school based or community based Program funded by the SNF grant.

*Collecting information for this metric:* The number of Unified Sports Athletes can be counted based on the number of Individuals with intellectual disabilities participating in Unified Sports (Player Development, Recreation, Competitive) held by a Unified School, Unified Sports Club or local Program funded by the SNF grant. This can be measured based on collected RSVPs or a list of attendees.

4. **Unified Sports Competitions:**

## **Unified Sports Parameters of Competition**

- A roster containing approximately equal numbers of athletes and partners.
- A line-up during the competition in which half of the participants are athletes, and half of the participants are partners.
- Teams are divisioned for competition based primarily on ability.
- All individuals on the team receive Special Olympics awards.
- There is an adult, non-playing coach for team sports.

*Collecting information for this metric:* The amount of Unified Sports Competitions is defined by the number of sporting events held by a local Program funded by the SNF grant that meet the Unified Sports Parameters of Competition.

5. **Unified Sports Coaches Trained:** a person who has received Unified Sports coaches training from a Program funded by the SNF grant, and provides Special Olympics Unified athletes and partners with a comprehensive sports training and preparation for competitions in any Unified Sports model within a calendar year.

*Collecting information for this metric:* This can be measured based on collected RSVPs or a list of attendees.

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6. **New Unified Schools**: Special Olympics Unified Schools is defined as a pre-school, primary school, secondary school, college or university offering Unified Sports opportunities to its students all across the globe. Unified Schools programming is designed to facilitate Special Olympics Unified Sports, provide classroom and community experiences that reduce bullying and exclusion, promote healthy activities, combat stereotypes and negative attitudes, eliminate hurtful language in schools, and engage young people in activities that lead to improved behavior and school climate.

A Unified School is a school or university that conducts Unified Sports opportunities at least 2 times within a calendar year.

***Collecting information for this metric:*** This can be measured by collecting a list of participating schools and the corresponding school activities and contact information.

- To qualify as a Unified School, any model of Unified Sports may be conducted (competitive, player-development, or recreation).
- Types of schools include: pre-school, kindergarten, elementary school, primary school, secondary school, high school, middle school, technical school, special education school, vocational school, trade school, college, university, or other post-secondary school.
- If a general education school works with a special education school to participate in Unified Sports activities involving students of both schools, these should be counted as two separate Unified Schools.
- Reminder: inclusive YA qualifies as Unified Sports under the Unified Sports Recreational Model

7. **Teachers Trained**: Educators employed by a local primary school, secondary school, college or university that have attended a seminar, training or meeting held by a local Program funded by the SNF grant.

***Collecting information for this metric:*** This can be measured based on collected RSVPs or a list of attendees.

8. **Inclusive Youth Leadership Trainings**: a leadership training/curriculum for young people with and without intellectual disabilities that are 25 years of age and below, grounded in a belief that all people have ability and can engage in meaningful leadership opportunities if given support, resources, and time through experience and reflection.

***Collecting information for this metric:*** This can be measured based on RSVPs or a list of attendees.

9. **Youth Leaders Trained (without ID)**: Young people without intellectual disabilities that are 25 years of age and below that have attended a leadership training held by a local Program funded by the SNF grant.

***Collecting information for this metric:*** This can be measured based on collected RSVPs or a list of attendees.

10. **Youth Leaders Trained (with ID)**: Young people with intellectual disabilities that are 25 years of age and below that have attended a leadership training held by a local Program funded by the SNF grant.

***Collecting information for this metric:*** This can be measured based on collected RSVPs or a list of attendees.

11. **Youth indirectly engaged** (fans in stands, participants in school-wide awareness events, etc.): Young people with and without intellectual disabilities that are 25 years of age and below that have attended a specific event, training, sporting event or meeting held by a local Program funded by the SNF grant.

***Collecting information for this metric:*** This can be measured based on crowd counting, collected RSVPs or a list of attendees.