Innovation Grant Application – Cycle 5

Start of Block: Introduction

**Youth Innovation Grant Application**

Innovation Grants are project-based grants of $1000, $1500, or $2,000 USD awarded to Youth Leaders with and without intellectual disabilities (ID) to promote inclusion in their school or community.

**Individuals who are eligible to apply include:**

• Youth Leaders ages 14-25 (If applying as a Unified Pair - one youth with ID and one youth without ID - both youth MUST be within the required age range at the time the application is submitted).

**Projects will expand on inclusion in a variety of areas. Examples of elements the projects should include:**

• Create new or expand existing Unified Schools programs

• Engage new inclusive youth leaders

• Drive sustainability and quality in youth and school-based programming

• Host advocacy events on school campuses or within the community

Applicants MUST send to their completed application to Regional Youth/Schools Staff and save a record for their files. Emails will be provided at the end of the survey.

**Application due date is 1 April 2020. Applicants will be notified if their project was selected by 15 May 2020. Final reports will be due 30 days after the project is completed**.

For Project examples, please visit [here](https://www.specialolympicsglobalyouth.org/fea).

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Q1 **Parent / Guardian Information** (required for applicants under 18 or lacking legal capacity).

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Start of Block: Program Information

**Participant and Program Information**

Please provide information about Youth Leaders, Special Olympics Program Staff, and Project Mentor within the following questions.

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Q3 Have you attended a Special Olympics Youth Leadership event? Please select that apply.

* 2015 Global Youth Leadership Summit in Los Angeles, USA
* 2017 Global Youth Leadership Summit in Graz, Austria
* 2018 Global Youth Leadership Forum in Baku, Azerbaijan
* 2019 Global Youth Leadership Summit in Abu Dhabi, UAE
* 2019 Special Olympics Africa Regional Youth Leadership Summit
* 2019 Special Olympics East Asia Regional Youth Leadership Summit
* 2019 Special Olympics Asia Pacific Regional Youth Leadership Summit
* 2020 Special Olympics Middle East North Africa Regional Youth Leadership Summit
* 2020 Special Olympics Europe Eurasia Regional Youth Leadership Summit
* 2020 Special Olympics Latin America Regional Youth Leadership Summit
* I have not attended a Special Olympics Youth Leadership event
* Other (please specify)

Q4 First (given) name of first Youth Leader

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Q5 Last (family) name of first Youth Leader

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Q7 Is the Youth Leader under the age of 25 as of 1 April 2020?

* Yes
* No

Q8 Gender of first Youth Leader

* Male
* Female
* Other
* Prefer not to identify gender

Q9 Current city

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Q10 Does Youth Leader have an Intellectual Disability?

* Yes
* No
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Q11 First Youth Leader email address

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Q12 First Youth Leader phone number

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Q13 Social Media:  First Youth Leader   
  
  
Social media allows our Innovation Grant recipients to share their project with a global audience.   
  
  
If you are interested in using your personal social media to share your project, please insert your social media information below. If you do not have an account, please enter “N/A.”

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Q14 Are you a sibling of an individual with Intellectual Disability?

* Yes
* No

If you are a sibling of an individual with Intellectual Disability, answer Q14-16. If you **are not** a sibling of an individual with an individual, please answer only Q15 before moving to the next section.

Q15 Please describe in 1-2 paragraphs how your experience having a sibling with ID has influenced you and your project idea.

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Q16 How have you been influenced by Special Olympics or the power of inclusion?

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Q17 Are you applying as a Unified Pair with your sibling with ID?

* Yes
* No

Q18 Is there another youth leader helping to lead the project?

* Yes
* No

If there is another youth leader helping to lead the project, please answer Q18-31.

Q19 First (given) name of second Youth Leader

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Q20 Last (family) name of second Youth Leader

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Q22 Is the Youth Leader under the age of 25 as of 1 April 2020?

* Yes
* No

If the second youth leader is under the age of 18, please complete Q22.

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Q24 Gender of second Youth Leader

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* Female
* Other
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Q25 Current city

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Q26 Does the youth leader have an Intellectual Disability?

* Yes
* No
* Prefer not to answer

Q27 Second Youth Leader’s email address

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Q28 Second Youth Leader phone number

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Q29 Social Media: Second Youth Leader  
  
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Q30 Are you a sibling of an individual with an Intellectual Disability?

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Q32 How have you been influenced by Special Olympics or the power of inclusion?

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Q33 Are you applying as a Unified Pair with your sibling with ID?

* Yes
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Q34 First (given) name of Special Olympics Program staff member supporting the project

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Q35 Last (family) name of Special Olympics Program staff member supporting the project

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Q36 Program Staff Member email address

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The project mentor is an adult that will work closely with the youth to help execute the project. Typically this is a teacher, coach, parent, or other adult figure that works closely with the young person(s) executing the project.

Q37 Is this Program staff also the project mentor?

* Yes
* No

If the Program staff is also the project mentor, please skip to Q40. If the Program staff **is not** the project mentor, please answer Q36-39.

Q38 First (given) name of project mentor

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Q39 Last (family) name of project mentor

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Q40 Current professional title

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Q41 Project mentor email address

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Q42 How will the program staff/project mentor support the project?

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Q43 What experience does the program staff/project mentor have that will help the youth leaders execute their project?

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End of Block: Program Information

Start of Block: Narrative Proposal

Q44 **Project Objectives**: Select the objective(s) that this project will achieve (select all that apply):

* Establish new Unified Schools or Unified Champion Schools
* Expand programming at current Unified Schools
* Engage new Youth Leaders
* Support Special Olympics programming in another area (please describe)

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Q45 **Name of Project:**  
    
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Q46 **Project Description**: Please give a brief 2-3 paragraph overview of your project.    
    
Please include details such as how your project will increase inclusion, what inspired you to plan this project, what excites you, how will the project continue after the grant period ends and what does being a part of the Unified Generation mean to you?  
   
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Q47 **Project Goals**: Please provide the top 3 goals you wish to achieve with this project.

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Q48 **Project Focus:** What areas will your project focus on? Please select all that apply.

* Advocacy (eg: Spread the Word Campaign)
* Leadership (eg: School Youth Summit)
* Unified Sports
* Unified Schools
* Sibling Engagement
* Technology (eg: Typing Classes, work-related skills)
* Health and Wellness (eg: Steps Program/Challenge with Education about Overall Health)
* Art and Creativity (eg: Inclusive Art Program/Competition)
* Community Engagement (eg: Inclusive Dance/Activities)
* Fundraising (eg: Polar Plunge)

Q49 **Project Timeline:** This is how much time it will take to complete the project from the date that funding is distributed. For example, if funding was distributed on 31 May and your project would happen 15 September, then you would select the 6 month timeline.

Please determine when your project will occur to determine which project timeline matches your needs.

* 6 months (project will occur between May 2020 – November 2020)
* 9 months (project will occur between May 2020 – February 2021)

Q50

**6 Month Project Timeline**: Please outline project activities for each month

* June 2020 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* July 2020 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* August 2020 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* September 2020 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* October 2020 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* November 2020 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**9 Month Project Plan**: Please outline project activities for each month

* June 2020 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* July 2020 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* August 2020 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
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* November 2020 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* December 2020 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* January 2021 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* February 2021 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Metrics**: Please indicate the metrics that will be achieved as a direct result of this project. Metrics are used to describe how many of the following items will be achieved through your project.

**For a full glossary of the metrics, please click** here.

Q52

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|  | Target Number |
| Number of youth with and without ID actively engaged in planning of the project |  |
| Number of Unified Schools with expanded programming |  |
| Number of new Unified Schools |  |
| Number of new Unified Champion Schools |  |
| Number of new youth leaders |  |
| Number of Special Olympics athletes (people with ID) engaged by the project |  |
| Number of people without ID engaged by the project |  |
| Total social media impressions |  |
| Number of new Unified Sports Clubs |  |

Q53 **Project Evaluation Plan**: Please select how you will evaluate the success of the project (select all that apply)

* Number of written agreements created
* Survey conducted
* Interviews
* Social media impressions
* Event sign in sheet
* Metrics achieved
* Other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Q54 **Project Sharing Plan** - Please select how you will share and promote your project with others (select all that apply)

* Social media
* Newspapers
* Television
* Radio
* Flyers
* Presentations
* Posters
* Brochures
* Other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

End of Block: Narrative Proposal

Start of Block: Budget Proposal

Q55 I understand that Microsoft Teams will be used for communication and collaboration throughout the innovation grant period, and am willing to use the free online platform.

* Yes
* No

Q56 **Budget Request:** How much funding (in USD) are you requesting for your project?

* $1,000 USD
* $1,500 USD
* $2,000 USD

Q57 **Budget Proposal**

Please enter the amount you will spend on each category in US dollars. If a category does not apply to you, please write $0. This must add up to the amount of funding requested.

Transportation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Venue: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Supplies: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Food: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Advertising/Marketing: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Equipment & Maintenance: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Printing: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Photography/Videography: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Miscellaneous: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Total: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

End of Block: Budget Proposal

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**Additional Application Materials**

Download the [Innovation grant program support letter](https://specialolympics.qualtrics.com/CP/File.php?F=F_79ivjhzc7g4CIpT). Please sign and submit your program support letter and photos of the Youth Leaders along with this application.

Q58 I would be willing to engage with donors and partners of Special Olympics International in the planning or execution of my project, if an opportunity is available near me. Examples of Special Olympics International partners include the Stavros Niarchos Foundation, the Samuel Family Foundation, Hasbro, and Lions Club International, amongst others.

**Examples of this could include:**

· A mentorship with an employee of a donor or corporate partner of Special Olympics International

· Attending a training or other event held by a partner of Special Olympics International · Attending an event at the office of a partner of Special Olympics International to share the story of the Youth Innovation Project

·Participating in an interview with a partner of Special Olympics International to capture and share the story of the Youth Innovation Project

* I am willing
* I am not willing

Q59 By marking this box, I am consenting to receiving communications from Special Olympics (like newsletters and announcements).  I understand I can unsubscribe any time.

* I consent

End of Block: Block 6

Start of Block: Block 5

**Final Reporting:** Final Reports will be due 60 days after the completion of the project and a final report template will be provided. The following information will be required for the final report:

* Narrative report describing the Youth Leader's experience with the project. This
* could be done through:
  + Written blog post
  + Video/Video blog
  + Adobe Spark webpage
* 10 pictures and a 30 second video of the project or 15 pictures of the project
* 1 quote from a person with ID that was impacted by the project
* 1 quote from a young person without ID that was impacted by the project
* 1 quote from an adult that was involved with the project
* Metrics achieved
* Financial Report to report on where the funding was spent (receipts will need to be saved by the Program but do not need to be shared with SOI HQ) Share all media links about the project (e.g. YouTube video created, online news article, etc.)

Q60 Please sign below to agree to the terms of the final report

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