

Social Media Guide

- 1. Add your fundraising page link to EVERY post so your friends can easily access your page to donate or register. For Instagram, you can put your fundraising link in your profile.
- 2. Make sure you are asking your friends to do something. Use words like, "Donate now," "Share this," or "View my fundraising page." Remember that you have to be specific to get results.
- 3. Thank each of your friends on their pages/profiles. You never know who else is going to read their wall and possibly donate to you.
- 4. Have fun and make it personal.
- 5. **Tag or message teammates on social media** to create healthy competition. Use the @ symbol and enter the person's profile name or person's actual name to tag people.
- 6. **Message everyone you know!** Don't just use posts to talk about your fundraising goal. Spread the word with messages, chat, etc.
- 7. Why are you fundraising for Special Olympics? Share your story with your friends, and let them know why you are raising funds and awareness for the athletes.

Imagery

Download the Guardian Bowl social media graphic.

Sample Fundraising Messages

I am playing in the Guardian Bowl to raise funds for Special Olympics athletes and promote #inclusion. Donate today and make a difference! (Insert personal link) #LETR4SOSC #GuardianBowl

Your donation can change the lives of thousands of people with intellectual disabilities in Southern California. Support me as I run/walk for Special Olympics Southern California. (insert personal link) #LETR4SOSC #GuardianBowl

Sample Join Fundraising Messages

I am playing in the Guardian Bowl on November 26 to raise funds for Special Olympics! Join me at (insert website link) #LETR4SOSC #GuardianBowl

Who's ready to raise money for a great cause? Join me in fundraising for the Guardian Bowl to support the Special Olympics Southern California. (insert website link) #LETR4SOSC #GuardianBowl

Sample Thank You Messages

Thank you (insert donor's name) for supporting Special Olympics. Your gift helps athletes achieve their dreams! (insert personal link) #LETR4SOSC #GuardianBowl

Thank you (insert donor's name) for supporting me I play unified football with Special Olympics athletes. Together, we can help make a difference in the lives of children and adults with intellectual disabilities. (insert personal link) #LETR4SOSC #GuardianBowl