



## GUARDIAN NEWSLETTER - SUMMER 2023

### 2023 TORCH RUN RECAP

**Thank you, 2023 Torch Runners!**

Together, 48 agencies participated in seven runs across the state to raise awareness and funds for our Special Olympics Washington athletes.

# THANK YOU 2023 TORCH RUNNERS

Anacortes Police Department	Mukilteo Police Department
Arlington Police Department	North Cascades Regional SWAT
Bellingham Police Department	Oak Harbor Police Department
BLEA Class 866	Olympia Police Department
Bonney Lake Police Department	Port of Seattle Police Department
Castle Rock Police Department	Poulsbo Police Department
Centralia Police Department	Seattle Police Department
Clark County Sheriff's Office	Sedro Woolley Police Department
Covington Police Department	Shoreline Police Department
Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office	Skagit County Sheriff's Office
Des Moines Police Department	Snohomish County Sheriff's Office
Edmonds Police Department	Sumner Police Department
Everett Police Department	Swinomish Police Department
Federal Bureau of Investigation	Thurston County Sheriff's Office
Federal Way Police Department	Tukwila Police Department
Ferndale Police Department	Tumwater Police Department
Fife Police Department	US Customs & Border Protection
Kelso Police Department	US Marshals Service
Kent Police Department	US Postal Inspection Service
King County Sheriff's Office	Washington State Patrol District 1
Lacey Police Department	Washington State Patrol District 7
Lake Stevens Police Department	Whatcom County Sheriff's Office
Lynnwood Police Department	
Maple Valley Police Department	
Marysville Police Department	
Mount Vernon Police Department	



## 2023 Numbers

- 48 agencies participated
- \$15,200+ raised
- 170+ runners
- 7 runs across WA State

2023 LETR T-Shirts are still  
available for purchase!

Buy yours today at  
[bit.ly/2023TorchRun](https://bit.ly/2023TorchRun)



[See Photos Here](#)

The Law Enforcement Torch Run would like  
to give a special thank you to Evidence  
Tech and Region IV Coordinator, Patricia

Duemmel from Marysville Police Department for her countless years of service to the LETR campaign and the Torch Run. Thank you for all you've done to help the Special Olympics Washington athletes, Patricia!



## 2023 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

The Law Enforcement Torch Run International Conference provides an opportunity for law enforcement personnel to network, exchange ideas and highlight events that have been successful in their programs.

Conference sessions will provide attendees with inspirational, motivational and educational content in effort to increase participation and subsequent funding for their respective Special Olympics programs throughout the world.

The 2023 International Conference will be held October 28-30 at the Sheraton Grand Chicago Riverwalk in Chicago, Illinois.



Registration Packet

Scholarship Form

Registration and Scholarships are due to Maggie Moffat, [mmoffat@sowa.org](mailto:mmoffat@sowa.org) by Tuesday, August 15th at 5:00pm.

## RUN WITH THE COPS 5K RUN/WALK

Do you have what it takes to Run with the Cops?

Join local law enforcement officers on August, 26th for the annual Run with the Cops 5K Run/Walk in Federal Way!



## Event Details

Saturday, August 26  
Federal Way Community Center  
7:00am - Registration Opens  
9:00am - 5k Run/Walk Starts

Adult pre-registration is \$30/\$40 day of run. 1 child registration (10 years & under) is free with 1 paid adult for the 5K. Any additional children will be \$20 pre-registration/\$25 day of event.

Finisher medals will be awarded to all participants and fundraising incentives are available, the more you raise, the more you earn!

Register before August 9 to guarantee your 2023 Run with the Cops shirts!

[Register Here](#)

## VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Calling all LETR – [register now](#) to attend

# Special Olympics Washington annual Volunteer Leadership Conference

## on August 25-27 at Tulalip Casino!

This year, Special Olympics Washington volunteers, community partners, staff, and athletes will come together to rebuild and reignite their passion for the organization's mission through a weekend of connection, collaboration, training and celebration. This event will include keynote speakers, general and customized presentations, discussions, and panels as well as a recognition dinner for all volunteers in attendance. Expect opportunities to network, enhance your knowledge and skills, as well as share experiences, challenges and success stories while celebrating the work you all do to bring the mission of Special Olympics Washington to life!

- **Event:** Volunteer Leadership Conference 2023
- **Date:** Friday, August 25th – Sunday, August 27th (join us for all or some!)
- **Location:** Tulalip Casino

### Important Dates:

- Early bird registration closes on **Friday, July 7th**.
- Request for housing closes on **Monday, July 17th**.
- Final registration closes on **Monday, August 7th**.

Interested in joining as a presenter, co-presenter, or panelist, or have concerns, challenges, or celebrations you'd like to discuss during our time together? Let us know when you register.

[Register Here](#)

Have any questions? Review the [event FAQs](#) or reach out to Lindsey, [lcornish@sowa.org](mailto:lcornish@sowa.org)

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