

OFFICE OF OPERATIONS

NOTICE  
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July 3, 2015

**TO:** All Concerned Commanding Officers

**FROM:** Commanding Officer, Special Olympics Planning Group

**SUBJECT:** APPROVAL OF THE 2015 SPECIAL OLYMPICS WORLD GAMES PIN FOR UNIFORM WEAR


The City of Los Angeles will be hosting the 2015 Special Olympics World Games. The games will be held from July 25 to August 2, 2015. With approximately 7,000 athletes, 3,000 coaches representing 177 countries, along with 30,000 volunteers and an anticipated 500,000 spectators, it will be the largest sports and humanitarian event anywhere in the world in 2015. This will be the single biggest event in Los Angeles since the 1984 Olympic Games.


The Uniform Committee and the Chief of Police have approved the SOWG pin for uniform wear from July 3, 2015 through August 3, 2015. All authorized personnel may wear the SOWG pin in accordance with current guidelines delineated in Department Manual Section 3/639.60.

Employees will be able to purchase the pins through the SOWG website, [www.la2015.org](http://www.la2015.org), with all proceeds directly supporting these Games. The display of these pins on employees' uniforms will highlight the Department's support of this large humanitarian event. Law Enforcement has been the largest supporter of the Special Olympics and has raised over 500 million dollars over its history. In addition, the Department will be deploying approximately 5,000 officers during these Games.

For further information regarding this request, please contact Senior Police Service Representative Jacqueline McAndrews at (213) 377-5612.

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