



The Breen Legacy Athlete Fund was established in 2014 in honor of SOILL President/CEO Dave Breen and as a memorial to his deceased parents, Robert and Anita Breen. This initiative was started by the Special Olympics Illinois Board of Directors and Foundation Board to recognize and pay tribute to the organization's commitment to the athletes of Special Olympics Illinois and our unbridled vision for the future of the organization.

The purpose of this fund is to foster athlete experiences and opportunities through sport, leadership and recognition. Special Olympics Illinois athletes of any age, who have demonstrated excellence in sportsmanship, courage, leadership and teamwork and show financial need are eligible. The most important qualifications for this award are that the athlete exhibits the commitment, teamwork, leadership, strong work ethic, and respect for others.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPLICANTS

- Recipients will be athletes that embody Special Olympics and are great role models on and off the playing field
- The most important qualifications for this award are that the athlete exhibits commitment, teamwork, leadership, strong work ethic, and respect for others.
- Athlete must have a valid medical application on file with Special Olympics Illinois; participate in at least one official Special Olympics sport
- Recognized as a team leader
- Exemplifies good character and sportsmanship

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Letter of reference(s) – coach and 1 other non-parent/guardian
- Applicant will submit a completed application and a letter of recommendation to:
Special Olympics Illinois
attn.: Breen Legacy Athlete Fund
605 E. Willow St., Normal IL 61761
- Applications and the letter(s) of recommendation will be reviewed by advisory committee.
- Awards will be based on funds available, number of applications received, committee recommendation and approval by the SOILL Foundation Board.
- Applications must be received by November 15.
- Award recipients will be notified by mail in early December.
- Award recipients receiving a memorial brick in Tribute Park will be contacted separately for details for engraving. Bricks will be engraved the following year prior to Summer Games in June.

APPLICATION

Applications Due by November 15

Special Olympics
Illinois



ATHLETE NAME: Click here to enter text.

ADDRESS: Click here to enter text.

CITY: Click here to enter text.

STATE/ZIP: Click here to enter text.

PHONE: Click here to enter text.

EMAIL: Click here to enter text.

AREA: Choose an item.

AGENCY: Click here to enter text.

APPLICANT QUESTIONS

How has Special Olympics impacted your life?

Click here to enter text.

How many years have you been participating in SO? Click here to enter text.

Form completed by:

NAME: Click here to enter text.

RELATIONSHIP: Click here to enter text.

ADDRESS: Click here to enter text.

CITY: Click here to enter text.

STATE/ZIP: Click here to enter text.

PHONE: Click here to enter text.

EMAIL: Click here to enter text.

COMMENTS:

Click here to enter text.

Signature: _____

Athlete Signature: _____

****Athletes that already have bricks in Tribute Park are not eligible for this award.***

*****Athletes that are not selected for award in current cycle are welcome to reapply.***