



"WE CHANGE PEOPLE'S LIVES"



OUR MISSION:

To provide opportunity for individuals with disabilities to participate in adaptive sports and, through this participation, develop the social, emotional and physical confidence necessary to become leaders in their communities.

WE SERVE:

Anyone with a disability who desires to experience the thrill of sports.

There are 1,160,183 people ages 5 and up in New York state with a mobility disability*.

Currently in Buffalo, over 100 athletes are on a sled hockey team and a growing number participate in wheelchair lacrosse.

(*Disability Matters, 2011, Center for Independence of the Disabled, NY. Mobility disability defined as having serious difficulty walking/climbing stairs.)

While sports have value in everyone's life, we believe they are even more important in the life of a person with a disability. The rehabilitative impacts of athletic pursuits yield positive results on both the physical and emotional well-being of participants.

WE AIM TO:

raise awareness

of adaptive sports as an athletic and wellness pursuit for individuals with disabilities

increase the availability of adaptive sports programs

in the Western New York region through support to existing and future programs

facilitate the development of regional sled hockey and wheelchair lacrosse leagues

to reduce costs and travel time



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