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Special Olympics Georgia Receives \$90,000 Grant from The UPS Foundation

(Atlanta, July 12, 2016) As Special Olympics Georgia (SOGA) prepare for its upcoming State Masters Bowling Tournament, State Fall Games and State Horse Show, CEO Georgia Milton-Sheats announced that the organization received a \$90,000 grant from The UPS Foundation.

The grant will be used towards the Volunteer Program, Project Unify in schools and the five annual State Competitions. SOGA will be able to enhance all State Competitions, enabling more athletes to participate and volunteers to receive better training. SOGA will also be able to increase the presence of Project Unify in schools across Georgia, encouraging students with and without intellectual disabilities to unite and form bonds of friendship and acceptance through sports training and competition.

"The continued support from The UPS Foundation means a great deal to not only the organization, but the individuals and families we serve," commented Milton-Sheats. "SOGA will be able to reach new heights in the level of sports training and athletic competition provided to our athletes and of awareness raised for individuals with intellectual disabilities."

"The UPS Foundation is honored to support SOGA's efforts to bring people with intellectual disabilities together where they are accepted, respected and able to exceed goals and shatter stereotypes," added Eduard Martinez, President of The UPS Foundation and Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer at UPS. "Our goal is to fund powerful programs that make a lasting difference to the global community."

The UPS Foundation drives global corporate citizenship and philanthropy programs for UPS (United Postal Service) (NYSE:UPS). Established in 1951 and based in Atlanta, Georgia, The UPS Foundation identifies specific areas where its backing clearly impacts social issues. In support of this strategic approach, The UPS Foundation has identified the following focus areas for giving: volunteerism, diversity, community safety and the environment.

In 2015, UPS and its employees, active and retired, invested over \$110 million in charitable giving globally. The UPS Foundation can be found on the web at UPS.com/foundation. To get UPS news, visit pressroom.ups.com/RSS.

About Special Olympics Georgia (SOGA)

SOGA provides year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympictype sports for 27,110 children and adults with intellectual disabilities. For more information visit <u>www.SpecialOlympicsGA.org</u>.