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Score a Unique, Birds-Eye View of Waikiki As You Go 'Over the Edge' for Special Olympics Hawaii

Registration is now open online for the 12th Annual Over the Edge fundraiser at the iconic Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa on November 6

Special Olympics Hawaii Over the Edge Photos: <https://we.tl/t-t1PdmvGXUB>
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HONOLULU – Calling all thrill seekers! Special Olympics Hawaii is taking fundraising to new heights with their 12th Annual Over the Edge fundraiser. Registration is now open for this unique event taking place on Saturday, November 6, 2021 at the Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa. Participants will rappel more than 400 feet down the side of the iconic hotel, while enjoying the breathtaking views of Waikiki and Diamond Head, along with raising funds and awareness for Special Olympics Hawaii. To register to participate, visit www.sohawaii.org.

“We are thrilled to welcome back Special Olympics Hawaii and its amazing supporters after a year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic,” said General Manager of Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa, Irby Morvant, Jr. “Over the Edge is such a unique fundraiser that truly showcases the beauty of Hawaii, creates lasting memories and supports an organization that does so much for our local athletes with intellectual disabilities.”

Early bird registration runs now through Friday, September 3, and includes a reduced \$50 registration fee. After September 3, the registration fee is \$100 per participant. All participants are asked to raise a minimum of \$1,000 in donations, must be 18 years of age by the day of the event, and weigh less than 300 pounds. Over the Edge is a crowd favorite and the limited slots will fill up quickly so interested participants are strongly encouraged to sign up today at www.sohawaii.org.

“We are grateful for our partnership with Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa and being able to hold one of our favorite fundraising events,” said Special Olympics Hawaii’s Director of Development, Tracey Bender. “Over the Edge not only gives our thrill-seeking supporters a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to rappel down the famous hotel, it gives them a sense of how courageous our athletes are every day as they make the most of their abilities and overcome the challenges they face on the playing fields.”

All participants will receive a special 2021 Over the Edge t-shirt. Additional prizes will be available to those who raise more than the \$1,000 minimum. Monies raised through Over the Edge remain in Hawaii and support local athletes across the state. Since 2009, Over the Edge has raised more than \$1,437,950 for Special Olympics Hawaii athletes and programs.

Those who wish to support Special Olympics Hawaii but do not want to participate in Over the Edge can also make a donation by visiting the event page. This year’s Over the Edge event seeks to raise \$125,000 for Special Olympics Hawaii.

For more information on Special Olympics Hawaii, please visit www.sohawaii.org. You can also follow Special Olympics Hawaii on Twitter, www.twitter.com/sohawaii, on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SpecialOlympicsHawaii, and on Instagram at www.instagram.com/SOHawaii.

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About Special Olympics Hawaii

Special Olympics is a global inclusion movement using sport, health, education, and leadership programs every day around the world to end discrimination against and empower people with intellectual disabilities. Founded in 1968, Special Olympics Hawaii has grown to serve more than 5,196 athletes and Unified partners on every island in our state. With the support of more than 10,800 coaches and volunteers, Special Olympics delivers 10 Olympic-type sports and over 50 games and competitions throughout the year. Special Olympics is supported by individuals, foundations and corporate partners.

There is never a fee to any athlete or family to participate in Special Olympics programs. Engage with us on: Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. Learn more at www.SOHawaii.org.

About Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa

Balanced between the idyllic beauty of the legendary Waikiki Beach and the dynamic city center, Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa is a vibrant destination combining relaxation and adventure with true Hawaiian hospitality. Each of the 1,230 guest rooms, including 19 suites, offers Hawaiian elegance and private lanai with panoramic ocean beach, mountain, and city views. With an unrivaled location just steps from world-famous waves, the resort affords effortless exploration of the island's attractions, from Diamond Head Crater, Honolulu Zoo, and Waikiki Aquarium, to world-class shopping, sophisticated dining and expert surfing lessons. Offering endless amenities including luxurious treatments at the 10,000 square foot Nā Ho'ōla Spa, StayFit Fitness Center, swimming pool overlooking Waikiki Beach, one of Waikiki's biggest breakfast buffets at SHOR, an expansive dinner buffet experience at The Buffet at Hyatt, tropical cocktails at SWIM Ocean Bar & Restaurant, and more than 60 boutiques on site. Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach promises Hawaiian-style excitement paired with the warmth of authentic Aloha spirit.

For more information regarding Hyatt Regency Waikiki Beach Resort and Spa, please contact the resort by phone at (808) 923-1234 or visit the resort website at: www.hyattregencywaikiki.com.