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NSCD ANNOUNCES 13 ATHLETES SELECTED TO COMPETE AT THE 2026 WINTER PARALYMPIC GAMES

DENVER (Feb. 25, 2026) – The National Sports Center for the Disabled (NSCD) is honored to announce that 13 athletes who train through its world-renowned Competition Center have been selected to represent their countries at the 2026 Winter Paralympic Games, taking place **March 6–15, 2026**, in Milan–Cortina, Italy. These athletes represent three nations including 11 members of Team USA, one athlete from Chile, and one from Israel, and span multiple disciplines, reflecting the depth, strength, and legacy of the NSCD’s competitive program.

“For more than five decades, the NSCD has believed in the power of sport to redefine what’s possible,” said Julie Taulman, president and CEO of the NSCD. “Seeing these athletes earn their place on the world stage is a testament to their dedication, their families, their coaches, and the community that supports them.”

2026: Paralympic Athletes Training Through the NSCD

United States

- **Jasmin Bambur**: A veteran Paralympian and respected leader in adaptive skiing, Bambur continues to elevate the sport. His experience, strength, and tactical mastery make him a formidable competitor and an inspiration to younger athletes. Hometown: Fraser, Colorado
- **Noah Bury**: One of NSCD’s rising stars, Bury has demonstrated exceptional speed and competitive maturity. His Paralympic debut marks a major milestone in a career shaped by discipline, resilience, and standout performances on the international circuit. Hometown: Salt Lake City, Utah and resides in Fraser, Colorado
- **Robert Enigl**: He brings strong technical skill and a relentless work ethic to the Paralympic team. His progression through NSCD’s competitive program reflects his commitment to excellence and his drive to compete at the highest level. Hometown: Kaukauna, Wisconsin
- **Margaret Gustafson (Guide: Spencer Gustafson)**: A powerful duo on the slopes, Gustafson and her guide and brother, Spencer Gustafson bring exceptional communication, trust, and technical skill to the Paralympic stage. Their teamwork has made them one of the most compelling pairs in visually impaired skiing. Hometown: Vail, Colorado
- **Patrick Halgren**: A longtime NSCD athlete known for his power and precision on the slopes, Halgren returns to the world stage with years of elite training through the NSCD Competition Center. His determination and consistency have made him a standout in the U.S. Paralympic pipeline. Hometown: Tolland, Connecticut and resides in Fraser, Colorado

- **Allie Johnson:** She continues to shine as one of NSCD's most accomplished athletes, known for her speed, precision, and competitive drive. Her Paralympic appearance builds on years of standout performances and leadership within the program. Hometown: Western Springs, Illinois and resides in Granby, Colorado
- **Kelsey O'Driscoll:** She has emerged as a dynamic and determined competitor, showcasing impressive adaptability and strength. Her Paralympic selection highlights her rapid development and commitment to the sport. Hometown: Caldwell, New Jersey
- **Anna Soens:** She brings resilience, focus, and a deep love of the sport to her Paralympic journey. Her growth through the NSCD program reflects her unwavering commitment to pushing boundaries and redefining what's possible. Hometown: Kenosha, Wisconsin
- **Kyle Taulman:** He has built a reputation for precision, focus, and steady progression through the NSCD's elite training pipeline. His Paralympic selection reflects years of hard work and a commitment to the sport. Hometown: Steamboat Springs, Colorado and resides in Golden, Colorado
- **David Williams:** He brings a powerful combination of athleticism and technical skill to the Paralympic team. His dedication to training and his strong performances throughout the season have earned him a well-deserved place on the roster. Hometown: Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, resides in Fraser

Chile

- **Nicolás Bisquertt:** He is known for his speed, competitive intensity, and international presence. His long-standing connection to the NSCD has helped fuel his growth as one of Chile's top adaptive athletes.

Israel

- **Sheina Vaspi:** Representing Israel, Sheina Vaspi is a trailblazer in adaptive skiing and a powerful ambassador for the sport. Her connection to the NSCD has supported her development into one of Israel's most inspiring Paralympic athletes.

"Our athletes have worked tirelessly to reach this moment, and earning a place at the Winter Paralympic Games is one of the highest honors in adaptive sport," said Erik Petersen, director of the NSCD Competition Center. "Their commitment, grit, and passion inspire our entire community. We are incredibly proud to support them and to see the NSCD's legacy represented so strongly on the world stage."

About the National Sports Center for the Disabled

The National Sports Center for the Disabled is a leading provider of adaptive outdoor recreation experiences committed to helping individuals with disabilities, their caregivers and the broader community rethink ability. Through the power of adaptive innovation, recreation and Colorado's great outdoors, we are transforming lives, families and communities and creating a world that celebrates each person's abilities. Our exhilarating adaptive outdoor experiences help participants make the very most of their passion, their talents and their aspirations. They discover a renewed sense of confidence, reignite the pure joy of play, and find motivation to try new things, meet new people and believe in their own abilities. With industry-leading adaptive equipment, renowned coaches, instructors and volunteers and unmatched mountain and metro programs, we change the perceptions of athletes of all levels and help them, and the world, [#RethinkAbility](#).

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