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"I got more than I gave!" - Unified Bowling teammate from Israel tells his story

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The Israel Bowling Federation formed a joint venture with Special Olympics Israel, where Special Olympics athletes play in the national league.

I signed up to Unified Bowling to give something back. Let me say one simple, yet, meaningful sentence - in this case I really don't know who is one the giving side and, who is on the receiving side. In the end I felt that I was given something special. The energy that I got from the Special Olympics athletes via a smile or by cheer; fills you up with a sense of victory and unprecedented achievement. What is considered easy and straightforward for me, was nothing less than huge effort for the athletes. It was great will power and persistence, despite the obvious difficulties. I learned that one has to look over its limitations and disabilities and look straight ahead to the target. Although sometimes we see these athletes through their disabilities, they don't - so, who is the one with the disabled and limited vision? I'm looking forward to the next meeting, this time with a better understanding and respect to the athletes and to the Bowling Federation for this initiative.

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