



# Isabella Small

## *Type 1 Diabetes Youth Connect Organization*

After being diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes just seven months after her sister received the same news, Isabella used her Gold Award project to build T1D Youth Connect, an organization to empower kids through connection, inspiration, and fun. Isabella successfully organized three social events with T1D Youth Connect, developed an active online presence including a YouTube channel offering inspiration to newly diagnosed kids, delivered over 100 inspirational collages at hospitals, and created a T1D resource directory for 75 families to connect. A Girl Scout for 10 years, Isabella credits the organization for shaping her into an action-taker and change-maker. Isabella's Gold Award project helped her realize her passion for inspiring others, influencing her to attend Arizona State University and Barrett, The Honors College with a double major in psychology and organizational leadership. She aspires to create her own business, consulting companies on how employee happiness can lead to success.

