



Arabella Bergen

New River Neighborhood Improvement

When Arabella's grandfather suffered a stroke while she was home alone with him, first responders drove past her family's house without stopping. With only her First Aid and CPR certification, she ultimately saved his life. This experience made her realize the importance of helping others during emergencies. Motivated by this, she developed her Gold Award project, the New River Neighborhood Improvement Project, to help first responders reach critical locations more quickly. Arabella created a mapping system to document streets, fences, and nearby properties by photographing homes and their numbers. This data was then uploaded to the first responder system used by Daisy Mountain Fire Department, Phoenix Police Department, Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, and other agencies. Arabella is currently pursuing a degree in medicine at the University of Arizona.

