



Arionna Smith

Robots Build Kids

Arionna Smith earned her Gold Award for her project, Robots Build Kids, which focused on making STEM education more accessible to underrepresented youth. Inspired by her love for robotics and her work at the Arizona Science Center leading STEM camps, Arionna created a FIRST Lego League robotics team at Roger's Ranch Elementary School. She guided the team through its first year, and now they compete in its own robotics competition, continuing the legacy she built. Arionna's project not only provided handson learning experiences in robotics but also helped foster an environment where students could explore STEM education beyond the classroom. Arionna is currently pursuing a degree in mechanical engineering at the University of California, Los Angeles, and plans to become a robotics engineer.