



Dear Breakthrough T1D Friends and Supporters,

Our family has been part of the Breakthrough T1D community since our son was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes (T1D) at age nine in 2002. Over the years, we have experienced some rough and frightening moments as he transitioned into adulthood. Thankfully, technological advances such as the insulin pump and continuous glucose monitor (CGM) have made his life - and ours - so much better.

Throughout this journey, Breakthrough T1D has been a constant source of support: providing access to the latest research, connecting us with physicians and medical professionals, and empowering us to be advocates for those living with this disease.

Seeing new children and young adults continue to be diagnosed with T1D is what keeps me involved and motivated to do more.

I had the honor of serving on the San Diego Board for seven years, and my husband and I have been longtime supporters of the annual gala. Our family was proud to be the honorees in 2017, and this year marks the fourth time I have chaired or co-chaired this special event.

A few years ago, I had the brilliant idea to invite my niece, Tally Bercovitz, to chair the auction committee. Since then, she has become an invaluable member of the gala team—securing donations, assisting with technical details, and bringing her enthusiasm and energy to ensure each event's success.

This year, I am honored to co-chair the “Don’t Stop Believing” Gala with Tally, and together we invite you to be part of this incredible evening - as a sponsor, donor, or attendee.

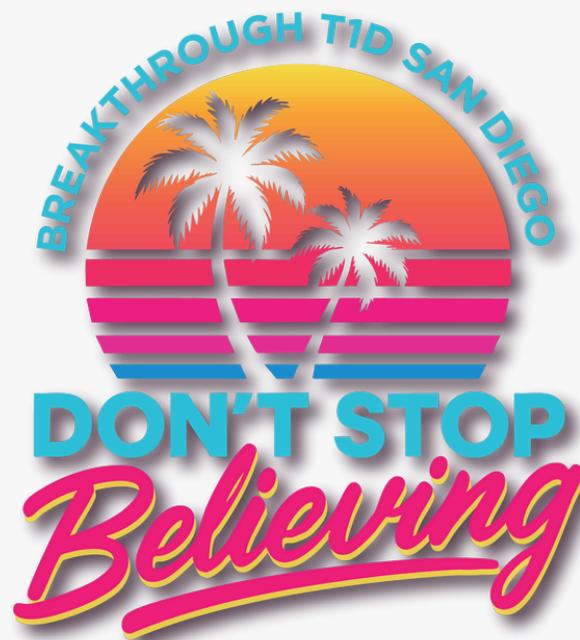
We truly believe we are closer than ever to a cure, and it is crucial that we continue funding the groundbreaking research that has already changed lives for the better.

Please join us on Saturday, April 25, 2026 for an '80s-themed evening of dinner, dancing, and celebration - all in support of a future without type 1 diabetes.

With gratitude,
Leslie Bercovitz
Tally Bercovitz
Co-Chairs, Breakthrough T1D San Diego “Don’t Stop Believing” Gala

www.breakthrought1d.org/southernca/SanDiegoGala2026





GALA SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2026
Alila Marea Beach Resort Encinitas

EVENT CHAIRS
Leslie Bercovitz and Tally Bercovitz





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WHY PARTNER WITH BREAKTHROUGH T1D?

Top Rated Organization

Forbes

In its annual ratings of charities and non-profits, Forbes magazine named Breakthrough T1D one of its five "All-Star" charities, based on its evaluation of Breakthrough T1D's financial efficiency.

The New York Times

"The foundation typically outperforms, in lobbying and fundraising, nearly every other interest group built around a particular disease."

CHARITY WATCH

For more than fifteen years in a row, Breakthrough T1D was top ranked by Charity Watch — the only national diabetes organization to earn an "A" grade every year over this time period.

San Diego's Premiere Fundraiser

For over 26 years, Breakthrough T1D's San Diego Gala has been an annual, premiere event bringing people together to celebrate the tenacity and courage displayed by the T1D community, while raising critical funds for T1D research.

Our signature event will feature an elevated 80's theme with exciting auction items, a fabulous cocktail party with entertainment, seated dinner, inspiring program, meaningful mission moments, and Breakthrough T1D's signature Fund A Cure program.

We can't stop believing in a cure. We won't stop believing.

Join us for "Don't Stop Believing" on Saturday, April 25, 2026!



Be In Good Company

One Night Gala supporters and sponsors have boasted leaders from many companies, including but not limited to:

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| AMCR Institute/Headlands Research | Provention Bio |
| Charles Schwab | The Jason Barry Team |
| Dexcom | Share the Dough Foundation |
| DLA Piper, Inc. | Tandem Diabetes Care |
| Insulet Corporation | Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation |
| Mankind | Virtu Investments |





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TYPE 1 DIABETES AND BREAKTHROUGH T1D

Preventing, Treating, and Curing Type 1 Diabetes

For the 1.45 million Americans living with type 1 diabetes (T1D) it means facing a relentless, daily struggle with an autoimmune condition that can be life-threatening. Currently, there is no cure. But we are looking to change that. At Breakthrough T1D, we work tirelessly to accelerate breakthroughs to cure T1D and improve the lives of those living with the disease. We continually expand our scientific knowledge, our connections and collaborations, our partners, and our global presence to unlock the science that will stop T1D. While we fight for cures, we strive just as hard to develop therapies to help people right now. Breakthrough T1D and our team of scientists are leading T1D research around the world. No organization is making a bigger impact on advances in this field.

Cell Therapies

Placing and Protecting Healthy Beta Cells in the Body

Program Goals



Develop a reliable beta cell source so that every person with T1D can get this treatment



Find ways to support the beta cells so they stay healthy and functional in the body for an infinite amount of time



Shield the beta cells from immune attack to prevent the need for additional immunosuppressant drugs

Disease-Modifying Therapies

Intercepting and reversing the disease

Program Goals



Stop the immune system from attacking healthy beta cells, so T1D never happens



Spur beta cell growth and protect them, so people with T1D can live without life-long external insulin



Develop treatments that can halt and reverse the events that drive T1D

Technologies

Improving lives with type 1 diabetes

Program Goals



Create miniaturized devices that go unnoticed to everyone but the wearer



Drive algorithm advancements to control blood sugar automatically, even when one is eating or exercising



Expand access and adoption, so that every person with T1D has available technologies

Treatments

Improving outcomes

Program Goals



Advance next-generation insulins, so that no one with T1D has to worry about high and low blood sugars



Discover combination therapies, using insulin and other drugs, to dramatically improve daily blood-sugar management



Develop and improve eye and kidney disease treatments, so that people at risk can take steps to intervene early in the disease process



For more information, please contact Jen Haber at jhaber@BreakthroughT1D.org.



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TABLE SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sponsor Benefit	Presenting \$50,000	Diamond \$25,000	Platinum \$15,000	Gold \$10,000	Silver Table \$6,000
Opportunity for company or family representative to give welcome remarks from stage during event program					
Custom experience curated in partnership with Breakthrough T1D (e.g., branded after-party or champagne service)					
Exclusive Sponsor recognition from stage during event program and in all media releases					
Ad in digital Lookbook (Full page for Presenting, Half page for Diamond)					
Name/logo on all Gala communications (invitation, newsletter, social media, digital Lookbook, event website)					
Name/logo on event Step and Repeat, Guest Bid Cards and Mobile Bidding					
Tickets to Event	1 Premier Table of 20 or 2 Premier Tables of 10	1 Premier Table of 16 or 2 Premier Tables of 8	1 Premier Table of 10	1 Table of 10	Seating for 6 Guests
Name/logo displayed on screens and signage throughout cocktail reception					
Digital program ad on event screens					
Fair Market Value	\$5,300	\$3,600	\$2,250	\$2,250	\$1,350

Sponsorship Commitment Deadline: March 1, 2026.
To reserve your sponsorship or for more information, contact Jen Haber at (619) 865-0684 or jhaber@BreakthroughT1D.org.



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EXCLUSIVE SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Pour Some Sugar-Free on Me Signature Cocktail Sponsor \$10,000

Fair Market Value \$900

- Signage with company logo on bars
- Name/logo on all Gala communications (invitation, newsletter, social media, digital Lookbook, event website)
- Includes four Gala tickets



Don't Stop Believing Music and Entertainment Sponsor \$10,000

Fair Market Value \$900

- Signage with company logo on stage
- Name/logo on all Gala communications (invitation, newsletter, social media, digital Lookbook, event website)
- Includes four Gala tickets



Believe in Breakthroughs Youth Ambassador Sponsor \$5,000

Fair Market Value \$450

- Custom branded moment
- Logo on Youth Ambassador nametags
- Name/logo on all Gala communications (invitation, newsletter, social media, digital Lookbook, event website)
- Includes two Gala tickets



Journey to a Cure Valet Sponsor \$5,000

Fair Market Value \$450

- Custom branded moment
- Name/logo on all Gala communications (invitation, newsletter, social media, digital Lookbook, event website)
- Includes two Gala tickets

Sponsorship Commitment Deadline: March 1, 2026

Custom sponsorships are available upon request. For more information, please contact Jen Haber at 619-865-0684 or jhaber@BreakthroughT1D.org.



Fund A Cure Donation

- Donation directly to research
- Name recognition during the program
- Contributions are 100% tax deductible



SPONSORSHIP COMMITMENT FORM

Contact Information

Donor / Company Name _____

Contact Name (if different) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Method of Payment

- Check enclosed (please make payable to Breakthrough T1D)
- Send invoice
- Pay by credit card using the QR code or website link below

Match My Gift

- My company participates in a matching gift program.

Please Mail Payment to:

Breakthrough T1D Southern California Chapter
PO Box 5070
Hagerstown, MD 21741-5070

As per IRS guidelines, payment by donor advised funds (DAF) or Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) may not be applied to purchases that include goods and services or used to bifurcate payments.

Breakthrough T1D is a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Tax ID 23-1907729

Please email this completed form to Jen Haber at JHaber@BT1D.org.



Scan QR Code to go to website and fill out form and pay online:
www.breakthrough1d.org/southernca/SanDiegoGala2026

Yes, I/We Will Support The Gala as a:

- \$50,000 Presenting Sponsor
- \$25,000 Diamond Sponsor
- \$15,000 Platinum Sponsor
- \$10,000 Gold Sponsor
- \$6,000 Silver Table Sponsor

Exclusive Sponsorship Opportunities:

- \$10,000 Signature Cocktail Sponsor
- \$10,000 Music and Entertainment Sponsor
- \$5,000 Youth Ambassador Sponsor
- \$5,000 Valet Sponsor
- Please contact me to customize a sponsorship opportunity.

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Individual Tickets

- \$600 Individual Ticket (Tables seat 10 guests)
_____ # @ \$600 each
\$225 Fair Market Value per ticket

Fund a Cure

- I/We would like to support by making a 100% tax-deductible contribution to Fund A Cure.