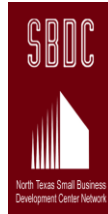


Dream Maker Extraordinaire!



The North Texas Small Business
Development Center Network proudly
announces its 2011 State Star

Donald Proudfoot

Don has been with the North Texas SBDC Network since 1996, serving in the capacity of director since 1997. Don's considerable business experience has spanned the gamut from selling business materials to managing rental properties. He worked with several Fortune 500 companies serving in various capacities of accounting, marketing and finance, but his entrepreneurial spirit prevailed in the long run.

Don has provided over 20,000 hours of counseling to small business clients including 280 loan-recipient clients. In 2010 under his leadership, the Tyler SBDC set an economic development record with \$27 million in loans and investments, exceeding their milestones by 274%.

Don serves as an entrepreneurial fountain of ideas for all aspects of business management – finance, research and marketing and so graciously shares his knowledge and expertise with others. Don's contributions to the North Texas SBDC Network are why he is our example of an individual who embodies the entrepreneurial spirit!

This award recognizes Don as a true star in our organization!