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# News Release

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## For Immediate Release

### Local Businesswoman and SBDC to be Recognized

**June 24, 2008 - Westminster, MD** – The Department of Economic Development will host an award ceremony to recognize two small business sector accomplishments. The ceremony will be held during the monthly meeting of the Carroll County Economic Development Commission on Thursday, June 26, 2008 at 8:30 a.m. in room 105 of the Carroll County Office Building located at 225 North Center Street in Westminster.

Karen Barbour, President and Founder of Westminster-based The Barbour Group, LLC will be honored as the U.S. Small Business Administration's (SBA) 2008 Maryland Small Business Owner of the Year. Mr. Stephen Umberger, SBA District Director, will recognize Ms. Barbour and she will receive a proclamation from the County for her many accomplishments as a small business proprietor.

Additionally, the Department will celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Maryland Small Business Development Center (SBDC). The SBDC will be presented with proclamations from the County and State of Maryland for its many years of service in assisting would be entrepreneurs establish local small businesses and helping existing businesses to grow.

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