## **Entrepreneurial Success Award**



Syed Ahmed founded VDART Inc. in 2007, in Alpharetta, Georgia. What began as a small, local IT staffing firm has rapidly grown into a full service global IT corporation that employs nearly 2000 people and has operations in Europe, India, Brazil, Mexico, Canada and throughout the U.S.

This meteoric growth wasn't achieved without help. Early on, Syed sought help from the Small Business Development Center. The SBDC helped him with strategic planning, financial projections and business development training. The training has been so invaluable that every year, VDART sends several employees from the company to the SBDC's training classes and seminars.

Combining innovative product offerings with great customer service and strategic planning has allowed VDART to achieve continued success. This success has not only provided great jobs but also has had a positive impact on the local economy.

Syed and VDART have received numerous awards and recognition for not only their success, but also an example of how using the SBA's resources can help a business grow.