Background of St. Paul SCORE:
- Is one of 320 chapters of the national “SCORE Association” whose mission is to provide resources and expertise to maximize the success of existing and emerging small businesses
- Is a resource partner of the Small Business Administration (SBA)
- Has operated within St. Paul and surrounding areas east of the Mississippi River since 1976
- St. Paul SCORE is comprised of more than 100 volunteers that provide guidance and counseling to entrepreneurs in the St. Paul/East Metro area.

Mission of St. Paul SCORE:
The mission of St. Paul SCORE is to provide resources and expertise to maximize the success of existing and emerging small businesses through free face-to-face counseling sessions, inexpensive seminars on business basics, and internet dialogue.

SCORE Association Facts
SCORE is the premier source for small business advice and mentoring in America. SCORE celebrates 50 years of volunteer service in 2014. Established October 5, 1964, SCORE is a nonprofit association dedicated to entrepreneur education and the formation, growth and success of small business nationwide. More than 11,000 volunteers at 320 chapters provide individual mentoring—in person and online—and business workshops for aspiring entrepreneurs and small business owners. SCORE is a resource partner with the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

SCORE has served more than 8.5 million entrepreneurs since 1964. SCORE currently serves more than 350,000 entrepreneurs annually. Based on the findings of the Impact Study of SBA Entrepreneurial Development Resources 2007-2008, SCORE provided 457,352 total services in fiscal year (FY) 2013* and has helped more than 10 million entrepreneurs and small business owners since 1964. SCORE offered 10,533 face-to-face and online business workshops in FY13. Seminars range in topic and scope depending on the needs of the local business community. A total of 305,294 people participated in a SCORE workshop in FY13. In 2013, SCORE helped 38,630 new businesses start and created 67,319 jobs, based on a study by Price Waterhouse Coopers commissioned by SCORE.

The SCORE Small Business Web Site is a popular site for small business owners, with a wide range of business resources and “how-to” information.