

BIOGRAPHY

LINDA PROWSE FOSLER

Linda built a 45 year career in the Computer and related industries. She was a member of the Corporate Engineering Department of Hewlett Packard, Manager of Software Engineering

for Tandom Computers, Vice President of Software Quality at Cadence Design Systems, Vice President of Marketing for IKOS Systems and Director of Marketing for the Deep Sub micron Division of Mentor Graphics. During an eight year period of independent consulting Linda worked primarily with high technology startups. Throughout her career Linda has devoted time to a number of charities and activist causes including Suicide Prevention, Mental Health First Aid and Court Appointed Special Advocates for Foster Children.

Upon retirement from high technology in 2014 Linda became Executive Director of Court Appointed Special Advocates of Monterey County and served in that post until 2016. Today Linda is a member of the Behavioral Health Commission of Monterey County having served as chair of that group for two years, Linda serves as a Mentor to Social Entrepreneurs through Santa Clara University's GSBI Miller Center. Linda is a past Board member of Rotary Downtown Salinas, and is a local leader in the community organizing activity COPA.

Linda holds a Bachelor of Science in Business and Computer Technology from University of California at Berkeley and Northern Arizona University and a Master of Science Degree in Management and Leadership.

Linda is an avid gardener and pilates practitioner. She is married, the mother and step mother of 6 grown children and grandmother of 11. Linda lives in Monterey with her husband, Howard, 2 cats and a few very opinionated chickens.