

Greetings,

My name is Charles Davidson. I am the founder and director of ForgottenSong, a US-based nonprofit organization that promotes community-level economic development in war-torn countries. I also founded The Praxis Conference, a global networking summit of peacebuilding practitioners and scholars. I founded ForgottenSong 10 years ago and have worked with AJDC for the past 3 years. My experience working with multiple international partners in locations around the world has provided multiple insights into what makes willing and capable project partners likely to succeed and operate with integrity. It is from this experience that I can highly recommend AJDC as worthy applicants. They are some of the most driven and focused individuals I have ever met and because of their individual past experiences, have a first-hand knowledge of the challenges faced by the youth and former combatants in the D.R. Congo. Additionally, their integrity is impeccable. Every dollar that my organization has invested with AJDC has been accounted for exactly and has been put to planned use with rigor and accuracy that is rarely seen in our line of work. Their lifestyles of focus and their hearts for their people are apparent in how driven they continue to be even in the face of adversity of many kinds. They have also visited the United States to serve as keynote speakers at The Praxis Conference demonstrating their further ability to operate cross-culturally.

It is with great sincerity that I recommend their partnership.

Sincerely,

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