



supporters, as well as the mass of individuals who use the internet to learn about important social causes.

"FORGE is extremely thankful to The Jenzabar Foundation for choosing our organization over all of the unbelievably admirable causes that were considered for this award," said Kjerstin Erickson, Founder and Executive Director of FORGE. "We will make effective use of the Foundation's grant by implementing video sharing technologies to our website in order to enable our African beneficiaries to spread their stories of perseverance to supporters around the globe."

Kjerstin Erickson also spoke at The Jenzabar Foundation's 2009 Student Leadership Awards ceremony on May 28 where she gave an inspirational speech to the award recipients, higher education institution representatives and other invited guests. More information on FORGE and all of the other nominees for the award can be found on The Jenzabar Foundation's blog at [www.thejenzabarfoundationblog.com](http://www.thejenzabarfoundationblog.com).

### **About The Jenzabar Foundation**

The Jenzabar Foundation issues grants to institutions of higher education and other charitable organizations with similarly aligned missions, and helps promote the activities of grant recipients within their communities and on a global level. The Jenzabar Foundation is a charitable and educational organization that received its initial funding from Jenzabar, Inc., but is now seeking financial support from the general public. Foundation grants are managed by the Foundation itself or through cooperating educational organizations. For more information please visit The Foundation Web site at [www.thejenzabarfoundation.org](http://www.thejenzabarfoundation.org).

### **About FORGE**

FORGE is a US-based nonprofit organization whose mission is to build upon the capacity of African refugees to cultivate empowered communities and lay the foundation for peace and prosperity in their countries. FORGE works in three refugee camps in Zambia, with refugees from DR Congo, Sudan, Rwanda, Angola, and Burundi.

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