

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Entrepreneur and public servant with a reputation for integrity, adaptability and exceptional critical analysis skills. A natural leader; comfortable with public roles, high-pressure interpersonal relations, decision making, accountability and continuous learning. Excited to put skills and experience to work in the Calgary business community.

- Effective campaigner and organizer; three times elected to public office
- Received awards from Samaritan's Purse in 2015, 2016 and 2017
- Built a successful retail business from a very small financial investment to a complex business with six full-time employees
- Sales experience; superior communication and rapport building skills
- Level 7 English benchmark proficiency

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Elected Chairperson

2015 – 2018

Bweyale, Uganda

Elected by a voting body of over 57,000 community members to represent their interests to United Nations and NGO delegates. Advocated for education rights, resulting in the construction of a nursery school and two primary schools. Later appointed to the role of Education Chairperson to assist with administering donated funds and ensuring the success of all three schools.

- Thrives in high accountability, people-oriented roles
- Lobbied for clean water, overseeing the construction of a 17,000 USD well project
- Selected an assistant Education Chair, and managed a team of administrators
- Lobbied for the rights of individuals with disabilities and vulnerable community members
- Led the development of a social enterprise to enable those with disabilities to earn a living
- Accountable to international bodies; created activity reports and financial

Food Distribution Coordinator

2015 – 2018

Samaritan's Purse, Uganda

Appointed to oversee the distribution of World Food Program rations to 30-40,000 individuals on a monthly basis. Bore the full responsibility for accounting for all food, ensuring equitable distribution and handling any complaints or disputes.

- Managed a team of volunteers who weighed and recorded the incoming tons of food
- Diligently recorded all transactions with a high level of accountability to international funders
- Built and ran a food distribution centre, managing all volunteers
- Developed systems for loss prevention, efficient distribution and shortage resolution

Elected Community Representative

2013

Kpweu Boma, South Sudan

Elected by popular vote to the local government of Kpweu for a standard one year term in 2015. Represented the interests of community members at the regional level. Reputation for being a trusted business owner, job provider and grassroots leader with integrity.

Owner/Manager

2006 – 2013

Rich Valley Enterprises, Bweyale, Uganda

Founded a small household goods/food retail operation in 2006 which flourished, growing to include a profitable building supply outlet, grain exchange and transport company. Managed six full time staff and numerous day labourers. Rich Valley was relocated from Kpweu, Sudan to Bewyale, Uganda where it is still operational under new management.

- Completed a market survey in 2005 which resulted in an expertly curated retail shop
- Adapted retail stock to reflect changing consumer attitudes, preferences and needs
- Developed relationships with regional producers to procure items at a reasonable cost
- Bought goods wholesale, applying custom packaging for easy purchase
- Able to effectively calculate risk, as well as analyze and predict revenue
- Responsible for all accounting, payroll, and HR activities
- Grew the business to the point of requiring a 3 ton truck and full-time driver to import goods and deliver building supplies to work sites
- Maintained and repaired company vehicle and equipment

EDUCATION

Level 6 English Benchmark, Bow Valley College, Calgary

2018 – present