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Adams-Gabbert & Associates, Inc. earns national recognition

Adams-Gabbert & Associates, Inc., a premier business operations consulting company, has earned national recognition by *DiversityBusiness.com* in several categories.

- Top 25 Woman-owned Business in Missouri
- Top Diversity-owned Business in Missouri
- Top Small Business in Missouri

Adams-Gabbert specializes in Project Management and Process Excellence and serves the Kansas City and Tampa, Florida regional markets.

This recognition comes from the Div100, which is the 6th annual listing of the Nation's top diversity-owned businesses. The companies listed represent the Nation's top multicultural earners and challenge the long-held notion that a diversity-owned business is small or insignificant. Div100 members are sought after by major corporations wishing to increase spending with diversity-owned companies.

Major corporations wishing to increase market share realize it is no longer just “the right thing” to do business with diversity owned companies. Affected by recent economic and demographic trends and changes, corporations throughout the country have recognized that buying products and services from diversity owned companies positively impacts their business. Diversity-owned businesses contribute over \$1.4 trillion in sales to the U.S. economy.

“Diversity businesses and consumers are a growing force in the U.S. economy, and a force to be reckoned with,” said Kenton Clarke, CEO of Computer Consulting Associates International, the company that built DiversityBusiness.com. “It’s no longer only about the Fortune 1000. This is a whole business segment that can carry its own, that provides jobs, products and services, and generates wealth for their communities. These are the new leaders in American business.”

Adams-Gabbert was formed in 1999 by Jo Anne Gabbert, President/CEO, to serve clients, associates and the community...three components which are still integral to her company's mission today.

“Coming from large corporate environments, I was blessed to build a consulting practice that is of tremendous value to organizations of all sizes.” said Gabbert. “It’s an honor to have Adams-Gabbert & Associates, Inc. listed with so many other fine organizations throughout the country.”

Since 1999, Adams-Gabbert has earned numerous awards and accolades for the efficiencies they provide their clients. The company continues to provide services to large corporations which make up the business landscape in Kansas City, and one year ago, expanded their operations to Tampa. The industries they serve include, but are not limited to, telecommunications, trucking and logistics, banking and finance, tax preparation, health care, local, state and federal government, insurance, and more.

The Diversity award is a classification that represents the top diversity-owned (women and other minority groups) businesses in the U.S., in sectors such as technology, manufacturing, food service and professional services. Large organizational buyers throughout the country that do business with multicultural and women-owned businesses use the list. The Div100 is produced annually by DiversityBusiness.com, the nation's leading multicultural B2B Internet portal that links large organizational buyers to multicultural product and service suppliers.

The winning companies were honored at a special awards ceremony at *DiversityBusiness.com*'s 6th annual Multicultural Business Conference, held at the MGM Mirage in Las Vegas, Nevada.

“The Div100 companies are the heroes of diversity-owned business in America,” said Kenton Clarke. “While Fortune magazine lists the best companies for minorities to work for, we list the top businesses owned by minorities. These are the people that have conquered the hurdles and made the sacrifices, building and strengthening their communities, providing jobs and helping to keep the fabric of the U.S. economy together.”

For the complete list of winning companies, please visit **www.diversitybusiness.com**. For more information on Adams-Gabbert & Associates, Inc., please call 816.347.0077 or visit **www.adamsgabbert.com**.