



## Call for Papers

### *CD Practice*

an on-line publication of the Community Development Society

**About *CD Practice*:** The purpose of *CD Practice* is to describe and promote appropriate and useful tools, resources and practice for all aspects of community development. Readers of *CD Practice* papers should be able to use the tools, resources or practice described, and /or use some practices discussed, knowing they are grounded in methods that have proven to be a success.

*CD Practice* focuses on the “how” of strategy and implementation, including key ingredients for success and pitfalls to avoid. This differs from [Community Development Society Journal](#) articles, which focus on theory, and the Journal’s CD Cases, which describe case examples and research. *CD Practice* submissions should be aligned with the Community Development Society’s [Principles of Good Practice](#) and should clearly document methodology, data-driven results, success stories, resources and/or lessons learned. For ideas on topics and to see previous issues, [visit the web site](#).

#### **Tips for Writing *CD Practice* articles:**

1. *Consider your reader.*  
Submissions should describe a tool, resource or practice that would be useful to community development practitioners or anyone interested in the field of community development.
2. *Organize the content.*  
Submissions should include an introduction describing why the tool, resource or practice is important, a description of that tool, resource or practice, and an explanation of its use and limitations. A suggested format is:
  - Background information. The problems, issues and situation that preceded the *CD practice*.
  - Why the program or practice was chosen.
  - How the program or practice was implemented, and how did it meet the [CDS Principles of Good Practice](#). (This should be the bulk of the discussion.)
  - What outputs were generated, and what are the known outcomes?
  - What major obstacles were overcome and how? Could they have been avoided?
  - What was learned? How might you change the practice in the future?
  - Conclusions and applications.

#### **Length**



Optimal length is less than 3,500 words for an article. Since it is published electronically, the number of words is flexible but should be sufficient to present solid coverage of the issue. Writing style should hold the reader's attention. Photos, graphics, and illustrations are encouraged when they support understanding of the content provided.

**How to submit:**

The editor of *CD Practice* is Joyce Hoelting. For more information, or to submit material, contact her at:

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(NOTE: Michael Dougherty, former editor of *CD Practice*, remains with the on-line journal as an advisor and reviewer.)

**Process:**

The papers will be blind reviewed by two–three CDS practitioners who have volunteered to review, and who have expertise that relates to the subject in the paper. The goal will be to have the decision on the submission within two months of receipt. It is anticipated that issues of the series will be produced quarterly.

**For more information or to make a submission, contact Joyce Hoelting at the address above.**