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CDS 2012 Conference

July 23-25, Cincinnati, OH

"Sustaining Community through Innovation and Entrepreneurship"

**Focus on local foods and arts, community engagement and learning,
campus-community partnerships, and comprehensive community initiatives**

More information and call for presentations



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President's Update

Dear CDS Members, Past CDS Members & Friends:

We have only a little over a week before the call for papers is due for the Annual Conference of the Community Development Society. The meetings are scheduled for July 21-25, 2012 at the Kingsgate Marriott in Cincinnati, OH. The theme of the conference is Sustaining Community Through Innovation and Entrepreneurship. At this year's conference, we will be joined by Co-ops USA. This dynamic organization will share presentations and a track at the conference. It is expected that their contribution will tie beautifully with that of CDS members' research, outreach, and practice.

The ever changing world needs community development. The Community Development Society stands ready to fill a void left by shrinking budget cuts to services once covered by government programs, global political shifts, and global economic instability. As a member of the CDS, members stay abreast of the research and outreach activities and innovations through the journals, conferences, webinar series, and continued professional development opportunities.

We invite you to not only renew your membership and join us in Cincinnati for the 2012 conference, we encourage you to engage in the Principles of Good Practice the undergird all that CDS stands for and works towards. We urge you to become involved in your communities and to reach out to the underserved. Together, the members of CDS, its partnering organizations, and the communities that we serve can make a difference, not only today, but well into the future. We can do so by actively seeking equitably beneficial and sustainable solutions to local and global issues. We can find solutions to the social issue not by focusing on development *to* and *for* communities but *with* communities.

We encourage you to share what you have learned in your communities and through conference workshops, paper presentations, and poster presentations. In so doing, you can work to build your community and assist others in doing what they do better. Please contact Lori Landry at the CDS Business Office at 614-221-1900 ext. 227 or via email at lori@assnoffices.com or myself at 601-266-6519 or via email at brent.hales@usm.edu if you

2012 Election

Please send your nominations!

The Community Development Society is seeking nominations for the Board of Directors. Upcoming elections will include the Vice President of Operations and three open Board Member positions.

Board members serve three-year terms. Nominations (including self-nominations) of current CDS members should be sent to John J. Green via email at jjgreen@olemiss.edu. Please include each nominee's name, title, organizational affiliation and contact information.

CD Resources

[Deploying Social Media for Communities](#) on LinkedIn.

[Rural Development Group](#) on LinkedIn.

[Wisconsin Community Economic Recovery Guidebook](#) for Local Disaster Resilience.

The Social Investment Business

The fastest growing [social investor](#) in the UK helps social enterprises, charities and community organisations prosper by providing innovative financial solutions and business support.

The International Economic Development Council

- *Getting Prepared: Economic Development in a Transforming Energy Economy.*
- Recommendations for an Improved Federal Response for Natural Disasters for Economic Recovery.

[Heartland Center for Leadership Development Webinars](#)

October 26, 2011 -- Retaining and Expanding

have any questions about CDS or the conference in Cincinnati. We look forward to hearing from you.

Respectfully,
[Brent D. Hales, Ph.D.](#)
President, Community Development Society

News from CDS

CDS 2012 Conference Call for Abstracts
Deadline for submissions, October 31, 2011

[More information and the call](#) [Click here to submit](#) The CDS annual conference focuses on ways to strengthen communities and provide a high quality of life for all residents. Community development, in both scholarship and practice, depends on an understanding of policies and practices that are effective in promoting local and regional areas. At this conference we will work towards defining sustainable community development, innovation and entrepreneurship. Sustainable community development refers to the processes that facilitate positive interaction between multiple sectors of the community to ensure that all residents of varied income levels are provided the opportunities and tools to build assets, to participate in their communities, and to become part of the mainstream economy. Innovation in community development refers not only to the new ideas being developed within community systems, but also the adoption process, speed, and performance of the innovative activity. Entrepreneurship speaks to the venturesome ideas which stimulate economic progress by finding new and better ways of doing things.

The learning tracks will provide opportunities to explore entrepreneurial and innovative ideas in depth from an urban, metropolitan and rural perspective. The program agenda includes many issues and areas of community development practice such as:

- * Comprehensive Community Initiatives and Processes
- * Community Learning Centers
- * Community Cultural Arts
- * Healthy Communities
- * Community Engagement in Higher Education
- * Community Development Policy

For a description of each track, please review the full [Call for Abstracts](#).

Local Business

November 30, 2011 -- Supporting Local Entrepreneurs

January 25, 2012 -- Capturing Outside Dollars

February 22, 2012 -- Developing New Business

Conferences and Meetings

[Annual Wisconsin Rural Partners Rural Summits](#)

- **Statewide Rural Summit - Mosinee, December 2, 2011**

[Business Retention & Expansion](#)

November 3-4, 2011, Sacramento, CA

[Rural Economy and Land Use Programme: "Who Should Run the Countryside"](#)

November 16, 2011, Gateshead, UK

[Neighborhood Development Strategies](#)

December 6-7, 2012, Los Angeles, CA

[Future Cities 2011](#)

December 15-16, 2011 London, UK

[National Council for Science and the Environment: Environment and Security](#)

January 18-20, 2012, Washington, DC

[Leadership Summit](#)

January 29-31, 2012, San Antonio, TX

[Reclaiming Vacant Properties: Remaking America for the 21st Century](#)

June 20-22, 2012, New Orleans, LA

[Under Western Skies 2: Environment, Community, and Culture in North America](#)

October 10-13, 2012, Mount Royal University, Calgary, AB, CA

Grant Opportunities

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development: [Funds for Supportive Housing Projects](#)

Application deadline: October 28, 2011.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services: [Rural Health Network Development Planning Efforts](#)

We invite your presentations, workshops and discussions of successful and innovative approaches to solving development issues in communities, large and small, in the US or internationally to share with your colleagues, new and emerging scholars, students and others in Cincinnati.

CDS and Rural Sociological Society to Collaborate

As a result of the joint annual meeting with the Rural Sociological Society in Boise during July, CDS board member and *Vanguard* Editor Timothy Collins has been named co-editor of the RSS [Rural Realities](#) policy publication. The appointment is intended to improve collaboration between the two societies.

[Meet your Board of Directors](#)

The CDS Board Recently Approved [By-Laws Revisions](#)

CDS Website: Blog and Other Social Networking Features

A new blog has been installed on the CDS website. Click on the tab "Easyblog" to get started. To learn more about how the blog works, and all of the feature and functions, you can view a video [tutorial](#). If you have suggestions or ideas, please do not hesitate to contact Communications Committee Co-Chair [Paul Lachapelle](#).

CDS UpFront

Compiled by Timothy Collins, Assistant Director, Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs

10 Things Elected Officials Need to Know About Economic Development

According to the National League of Cities, "Local elected officials will be [more effective in leading economic development activities](#) to the extent that they forge strong relationships with staff members who work on these issues on a daily basis."

Can America find its entrepreneurial mojo again? Data suggest that lately the country's [entrepreneurial growth-engine](#) has been misfiring-which is alarming given the role it has played in creating employment.

Funded

Application deadline: October 31, 2011.

National Science Foundation: [Phase I Grants for Small Business Technological Innovations](#) Proposed investigations will conform to the interests of the high-technology investment sector and address one or more of the following solicitation topics: [biological and chemical technologies](#); [education applications](#); [electronics, information, and communication technologies](#); and [nanotechnology, advanced materials, and manufacturing](#).

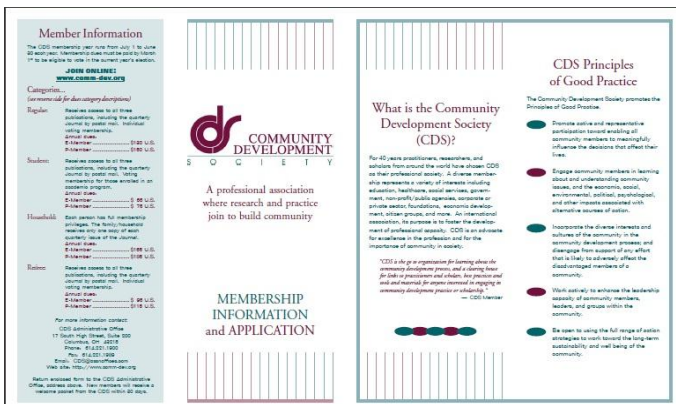
Application deadline: December 2, 2011.

Corporation for National and Community Service:

[AmeriCorps State and National Planning 2012](#)

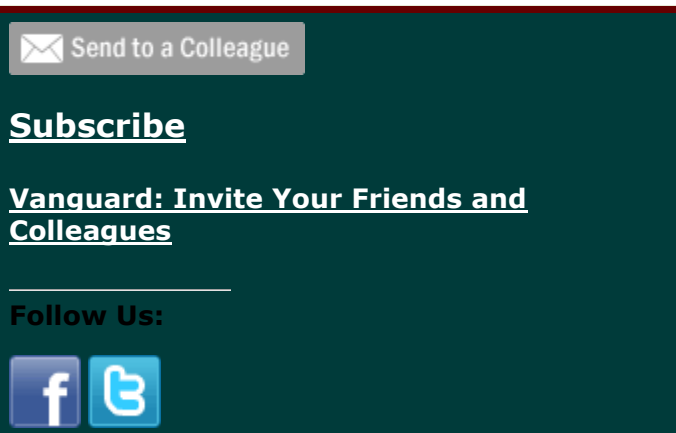
Application deadline: January 18, 2012.

Join the Community Development Society Today!



The image shows a brochure for the Community Development Society (CDS). It includes a 'Member Information' section with a table of membership rates for different categories: Corporate (Individual), Student, Household, and Senior. The rates are listed in U.S. dollars for 1-year and 3-year terms. The brochure also features the CDS logo, a description of the society as a professional association, and a 'MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION and APPLICATION' section. A 'CDS Principles of Good Practice' section lists five principles: 1. Promote active and representative participation, 2. Engage community members in learning about and understanding community issues, 3. Incorporate the diverse interests and cultures of the community, 4. Work actively to witness the leadership capacity of community members, leaders, and groups within the community, and 5. Be open to using the full range of action strategies to work toward the long-term sustainability and well-being of the community.

Click on the image above to view the CDS Membership Brochure and Application.



This section contains several interactive buttons: 'Send to a Colleague' with an envelope icon, 'Subscribe' in a large font, 'Vanguard: Invite Your Friends and Colleagues' in a large font, and 'Follow Us:' with Facebook and Twitter social media icons.

Is The Creative Class Fading?

[Point-counterpoint discussion](#) analyzes the question.

7 Smart Solutions for DIY Jobs

One alternative to looking for a job is to make your own. **[Here are seven ways](#)** communities are offering tools, training, and bright ideas to get workers started.

[Infographic: Poverty Up, Incomes Down in Most States](#)

Rural-Urban Poverty Gap Narrows

The poverty rate in rural America has always been higher than in the cities. But **[the gap is now the smallest it's been in over half a century](#)**.

Nonmetro poverty rates exceed metro rates for all racial/ethnic groups

Areas with a high incidence of poverty often reflect the **[low income of their racial/ethnic minorities](#)**.

Low Unemployment in Most Rural Counties

Unemployment rates in six out of ten rural counties **[fell below the national average](#)** in August, 2011.

Job growth 2010-11 varies across U.S. counties

[The annual rate of job growth](#) between second-quarter 2010 and second-quarter 2011 was less than half of a percent, with little difference between metro and nonmetro areas; this growth offset only a small fraction of the employment decline of the previous 2 years and was not enough to keep up with adult population growth.

Migration Slowdown Is Sun Belt's Loss and North's Gain

The steady flow of people moving to the **[Sun Belt](#)** that fueled its head-spinning boom for decades now is sputtering - a blow to the region but a boost for Northern states.

The Local Crunch: How States Pass the Pain to Cities and Counties

[* Part 1: Budget cuts reduce state aid to localities](#) **[* Part 2: Property tax caps and their impact](#)** **[* Part 3: California reshapes local roles and revenue streams](#)**

Sustainability Thinking: Theory U

["Learning from the future as it emerges...."](#)

["Collectively creating the future that wants to emerge..."](#)

The Road to Exurbia

[What is an exurb?](#) Is there only one kind, or do different sub-types appear when you look more closely?

Sprawl is Holding the Recovery Back

[A new report](#) from Strong Towns Initiative argues that sprawl-friendly policies and overbuilt infrastructure are keeping the economy from properly recovering.

Fixing Cincinnati

After a decade of debate, financing, design, and construction, phase one of The Banks-arguably one of the country's most ambitious urban design projects-is nearly complete. When finished, [the 18-acre mixed-use development](#) will add nearly three million square feet of building to long vacant land between Cincinnati's Central Business District and the Ohio River.

Buffalo Makes Way for Rust Belt Localism

One factor behind Buffalo's decline was the loss of locally owned businesses and the simultaneous rise of multinational firms. An organization is attempting to reverse this trend and drive community economic development by encouraging the city to ["Think Local First."](#)

Food System Wiki Seeks Contributors

[This Wiki](#) aims to present a comprehensive guide to all food system and agriculture development-related terms, viewing a food system as "a dynamic structure consisting of the production, distribution, acquisition, consumption and disposal of food."

Community Involvement in Tokyo Influenced by Anarchy

[Small places of anarchy](#) in Tokyo are zones of human-scale action, attachment and care.

Gender and the City

Alliances between [urbanism, feminism and the new connectivity](#) may spell the end of a man's world.

Same-Sex Couples in Rural America

The percentage of [same-sex couples populating rural America](#) is about half of that found in urban

counties. But there are hundreds of rural counties where the rate is much higher.

[Comments, Suggestions, Submit an Article](#)

Do you have something to share?

We welcome member input and articles for our Vanguard e-news bulletin. If you have something that you would like to get out to the entire membership, or if you have comments or suggestions, send them to CDS@assnoffices.com with subject e-news bulletin. We will do our best to accommodate your articles in a timely manner.

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