The Community Development Society is your organization and you will find that the more you get involved in the organization, the more you receive from your membership in the organization.

We are particularly looking for members interested in: reviewing articles for the Journal, submitting articles to CD Practice, nominating someone for a leadership position, considering a program or person for an award, or participating on one of the committees (awards, marketing and membership, nominations and leadership, international, program, non-conference program committee, communications, finance affiliations, and grantwriting). We are also looking for great ideas and presenters for our emerging webinar series on innovation. We welcome your participation and look forward to hearing from you.

-Mary Emery, CDS President

Call for Abstracts

The deadline to submit an abstract is October 30, 2009. The Call if available on the CDS website at www.comm-dev.org. or by clicking the Call.

CDS/IACD International Conference - July 25-28, 2010 - New Orleans, LA

Plans for the 2010 CDS/IACD International Annual Conference in New Orleans, LA.
Orleans, Louisiana, USA are going well. A low hotel rate ($99.00) has been obtained and Brent Hales, local host chair, has organized interesting and educational Mobile Learning Workshops involving examples of reconstruction, local foods, music, and culture. This is an exciting time to see New Orleans and talk with local officials about strategies they used in revitalizing the city. During the next several months, we will share some of the activities, speakers, and events that will happen during the conference.

The fact that the conference will be co-hosted with the International Association for Community Development (IACD) promises to make it an exciting opportunity to hear what practitioners and academics are learning around the world during one of the most challenging periods of economic recovery.

While we are encouraging participants to share what they have learned about rebuilding local economies in whatever ways, the agenda for the 2010 Conference is open to all aspects of community development as in any other CDS conference. We encourage you to respond to the Call for Participation by submitting an Abstract; organize a session, present a poster, or participate as a discussant during one of the many sessions. The deadline is October 30, 2009. Travel is difficult right now for many organizations but this conference promises to be one of the most educational and interesting Community Development events of the year. Don’t miss this opportunity to share your experiences and learn from others. If you have any questions, contact: Norman Walzer, Program Planning Committee Chair.

CDS Spotlights Members

As part of the CDS membership campaign, the Membership and Marketing Committee has initiated its Member Spotlight on the CDS website. Located under JOIN, this page puts the spotlight on 10 CDS members, and their interests and areas of expertise in the community development profession.

Each month the CDS will spotlight new members, gathering the information from the membership survey located here. If you have not already completed this survey, please do so, and maybe you will be the next member in the spotlight!

Click here to view the CDS Member Spotlight

Send to a Colleague
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.