Editor Position of the CD Practice

The Community Development Society (CDS) is seeking a qualified, proactive, and creative candidate for the position of Editor of the Community Development (CD) Practice publication, effective immediately.

Community Development Society: The Community Development Society (CDS) was founded in 1969 to create a national and international network of community development researchers, practitioners and policy makers with an interest in community development. CDS provides leadership to professionals and citizens across the spectrum of community development. Members have multiple opportunities to learn what's new in the profession, to exchange ideas, to obtain the most current research and reference information available and to share professional expertise.

Community Development Practice: The Community Development (CD) Practice is a online-only, peer-reviewed publication of the Community Development Society. It presents innovative approaches, tools, and techniques that can be readily applied by community engaged researchers, community development practitioners, applied researchers and pracademics. The purpose of Community Development Practice is to describe and promote appropriate and useful tools, resources and practice(s) for all aspects of community development. Readers of Community Development Practice papers should be able to take lessons from, adapt, and/or use the tools, resources and practice(s) described. All presented tools, resources and practice(s) must be grounded in community development (or other related fields) theories, frameworks and/or methods that have a demonstrated record of positive impact in/for communities. We especially welcome submissions focused on innovations in practice.

Community Development Practice focuses much more on the “how” of strategy and implementation, including key ingredients for success and pitfalls to avoid. Community Development Practice submissions should be aligned with the Community Development Society’s Principles of Good Practice (provided) and should clearly document methodology, data-driven results, success stories, resources and/or lessons learned. Citations of research and resources are expected in every manuscript. Successful submissions and published manuscripts should also reference the Community Development Society Principles of Good Practice.

Editor Position for the CD Practice: This professional position includes an estimated 10-hours/month, focusing on the effective and strategic editing, creation, and publication of the CD Practice. This position is remote and not dependent on location.

Position Description:
- Oversee the submission, review, revision, and editing processes of submitted manuscripts
- Copy-edit manuscripts, specifically final proofs, when necessary
- Correspond with authors in a timely manner
- Solicit manuscripts from previous presenters at CDS and other community development related conferences and events
- Mentor and support practitioners as they develop manuscripts
- Work with graphic designers and webpage managers to ensure timely and aesthetically pleasing publication of each issue
- Write an editorial/introduction for each new issue published
- Report to the Communications Committee regarding the effectiveness and impact of the publication
- Work collectively with the CDS Communications Committee to provide strategic marketing and communications to enhance engagement and exposure of the CD Practice