

2021 CDS Virtual Conference

“Global Challenges, Local Resilience”

July 12, 2021—July 15, 2021

Call for Additional Proposals

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, proposals accepted for the Community Development Society (CDS) 2020 Conference in Fargo, North Dakota were rolled over to the 2021 Virtual Conference, July 12-15, 2021.

This is a request for additional proposals for presentations and posters from researchers, practitioners, and others involved in community work for the CDS 2021 Virtual Conference, July 12-15, 2021.

The conference will explore how community developers, organizers, and leaders pursue local resilience in light of global challenges, and how local actions contribute to global resilience in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic, climate change, refugee migration, workforce and trade disruption, and other challenges.

Proposals related to the conference theme, “Global Challenges, Local Resilience” are encouraged, but all submissions will be given full consideration. Each 45-minute concurrent breakout session will include 1-3 accepted presentations. We will contact you regarding how your proposal might fit into these sessions and the overall conference program.

CDS promotes inclusive access. If you have questions or experience technical difficulties submitting your proposal, please contact Justin Fallon Dollard, CDS Vice Chair of Programs - [mailto: info@comm-dev.org](mailto:info@comm-dev.org). Please use "CDS 2021 Virtual Conference Proposal" in the subject line.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES PRIOR TO SUBMITTING YOUR PROPOSAL

Proposal Guidelines

- The deadline for additional proposal submissions is April 15, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. EST. No late abstracts will be accepted.
- You may submit more than one proposal.
- All accepted presenters must complete their paid conference registration by Friday, June 18, 2021. Please note, presenters do not receive free registration.
- Conference registration information is available at [here](#).
- The conference agenda will be finalized by July 1, 2021.

Proposal Types

The following types of proposals will be considered:

PRESENTATIONS: (Maximum 750-word abstract, does not include references or title page)

- **Format:** Proposal will be verbally presented during a concurrent session. Screen-sharing of presentation PowerPoint slides will be supported. If screen-based, embedded video is part of the presentation, please state the length of the video in your abstract.
- **Research Presentations** include, but are not limited to, empirical research, action or participatory research, research panels and theoretical/philosophical perspectives, discussions or debates.
- **Educator/Practitioner Presentations** include but are not limited to innovative ideas and practices, programmatic successes and reflections, panels, and topical discussions.
- **Scholarly Practice Presentations** include some elements of both the research and educator/practitioner presentations described above.
- **Emerging Practice and Research Presentations** include but are not limited to research that is in progress, new community or educational programs, and discussions of thought-provoking research projects or emerging trends in practice.
- **Emerging Scholars Presentations** include elements of the research presentations described above but are from actively enrolled undergraduate and graduate students.

E-POSTERS: (Maximum 500-word abstract, does not include references or title page)

- **Research Posters** include, but are not limited to empirical research, action or participatory research, and theoretical/philosophical perspectives.
- **Educator/Practitioner Posters** include but are not limited to innovative ideas and practices, programmatic successes and reflections.
- **Scholarly Practice Posters** include some elements of both the research and educator/practitioner presentations described above.
- **Emerging Scholars Posters** include elements of the research posters described above but are from actively enrolled undergraduate and graduate students.

Note: Any submissions exceeding specified word count will automatically be rejected.

Proposal Upload Guidelines

All proposals will be peer reviewed. Submit your proposal as a .docx or .pdf file using the guidelines and the link below. While the submission form will ask for name and contact information, please do not include your name or affiliation on the proposal document. Proposals must be blind, and the blind proposal will be sent to 2-3 reviewers.

- Proposals will be submitted via Google Forms. Author/Presenter information will be collected in a form field separate from the proposal file upload.
- **TITLE PAGE:** List the title of your abstract; the title should match the title submitted in the Google Form.

- DO NOT include the name(s) and institutions/organizations of each author or other identifiable information.
- DO include up to five keywords that describe your abstract.
- **ABSTRACT PAGE:** The abstract should accurately communicate how your proposal relates to community development and the conference theme “Global Challenges, Local Resilience.”
 - Abstracts for presentations must be no more than 750 words.
 - Abstracts for posters must be no more than 500 words.
 - Word count does not include references or title page.

[UPLOAD YOUR PROPOSAL HERE](#)

TIMELINE FOR REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSALS

Notification will be sent via email for accepted proposals by May 15, 2021. Presentation versions of all accepted proposals must be submitted by July 1, 2021 at 11:59pm EST and should generally follow the format standards used by the [Journal of the Community Development Society](#). Accepted e-poster proposals should follow the special instructions below.

CDS intends to electronically publish proceedings of the conference. Publication versions of all accepted proposals must be submitted by September 1, 2021 at 11:59pm EST. Presentation papers must follow the format standards used by the [Journal of the Community Development Society](#).

Note: If a conference proposal is accepted conditionally, then revisions must be submitted by June 15, 2021 at 11:59pm EST to be considered for the July 1, 2021 deadline for presentation versions. Revisions per peer review comments does not guarantee final acceptance.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR ACCEPTED E-POSTER PROPOSALS

Title of the Poster

- It is recommended to keep the title of the poster same as in the submitted abstract. Slight modification which does not change the idea of the abstract is also allowed.

Poster size and format

- Poster must be submitted in PDF format.
- It is recommended to make your poster in PowerPoint (Landscape or Portrait) and then save it as a PDF
- **No more than 5 PowerPoint slides for your E-Poster.**

Your Information

- The top of the Poster should display, in the lettering of 18 Bold (Times New Roman), the following information: Title of your Paper, Name(s) of the Author(s) and Affiliation(s).

Lettering

- Kindly use both UPPER and lower case letters for general content, as all-capital text is difficult to read. It is recommended to use 14 Times New Roman font style for the content of the poster.
- Make sure there is enough contrast between the color of the text and the poster's background.
- Text and presentation should be in ENGLISH only.

Content of the Poster

- Make sure that the specific sections (such as the background, methods, results, and conclusions) are easy to locate in the poster.
- Try to keep the text easy to read and concise. The poster should have a clear message, a logical layout and be easy to comprehend.