



ATTENTION:

Practitioners

Graduate Students

Applied Researchers

The *Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development* is a NEW online, international, peer-reviewed journal focused on applied research and best practices in the development of thriving farming communities and sustainable food systems. Peer reviewers include development practitioners, organization and agency staff, faculty, graduate students, consultants, and farmers from around the world with expertise in a wide range of agriculture and food-systems issues as they relate to community, ecological sustainability, and economic development. JAFSCD is online at www.AgDevJournal.com.

JAFSCD welcomes research and policy briefs, and case studies (up to 2,500 words) and full articles (up to 8,500 words) on best community-development practices related to the call for articles below.

Authors are invited to submit articles under one of two categories:

1. OPEN CALL

The Journal welcomes articles at *any time on any subject related to the development aspects of agriculture and food systems.*

Content can focus specifically on conservation and farmland protection, value-adding, cooperative marketing, value chains, distribution, farm labor, market research, consumer decision-making drivers, and other topics. Authors are encouraged to submit applied research papers, commentary, and thought-provoking articles that inform the emerging field of agriculture and food systems development. Faculty and students, Extension and other educators, planners, consultants, staff with farm agencies and farm and community organizations, and farmers are invited to submit material.

2. SPECIAL TOPIC CALL

***Best Practices in
Urban and Peri-Urban
Agriculture Development***

Articles may address the following, among other topics:

- Urban livestock management and regulation
- Urban market gardening and backyard gardening
- Aquaculture and hydroponics
- Marketing and value-adding
- Waste management and reuse
- Urban farming by immigrants or special populations
- Farming on the fringe

Deadline: June 5, 2010 (The deadline may be extended with permission of the publisher.)

More background on this topic is at www.AgDevJournal.com.

For both calls, manuscripts should focus on the ***practical application of these innovations***: the organization and mechanics of a program or strategy; engagement of stakeholders; challenges and unique solutions; impact analysis; and lessons learned. These papers should inspire and inform new and existing community development efforts to establish and sustain farms. Papers that feature survey results with descriptive statistics, or case studies featuring best practices (or even post-mortem analyses), are highly encouraged.

FOR DETAILS on these calls for articles and submission guidelines, visit www.AgDevJournal.com.