

Call for Commentaries – *Local Development & Society*

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Given the disruption in communities of COVID-19, we invite short commentaries on topics related to responses, issues, and challenges faced by towns, cities, and regions. It is our intent to publish commentaries online and as soon as possible after editorial review. Responses to commentaries are invited as well, after the initial round of publishing in May.

Two types of commentaries are sought:

1. Short, reflective essay type writing, up to 2500 words on a topic related to COVID-19 and communities.
2. Longer article type manuscripts, up to 5000 words that can be published first as commentaries with editorial review, then peer reviewed if desired. These longer manuscripts can be case studies, original research, overview/review, or theory.

Both commentaries will be noted as special issues on *Communities and COVID-19*.

Due:

Commentaries can be received at any time, and if accepted for editorial review, then will be published online shortly thereafter. It is our intention to have commentaries available during the crisis. We do have two rounds of due dates to help facilitate online issue compilation:

First round due date:	April 30 th , 2020
Second round:	June 30 th , 2020

Please submit directly online at:

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