

# RuralCONNECTIONSMONTHLY

A newsletter of the Western Rural Development Center

## CALL FOR ARTICLES!

Now accepting abstract submissions for the Fall 2018 issue of *Rural Connections*

SUBMISSION DEADLINE:  
Monday, June 18, 2018

The Western Rural Development Center is now accepting abstract submissions for the Fall 2018 issue of its magazine, *Rural Connections*.



We are interested in topics ranging from Extension outreach to community development, land use and resource planning, recreational economies, civil discourse, energy development, community preparedness, rural health, broadband access, and more! We welcome abstracts on other topics and research areas that are relevant to fostering prosperous and thriving rural communities in the West.

[Click here for the Call for Articles and Submission Guidelines.](#)

[Read past issues of \*Rural Connections\*.](#)

Direct your questions to [Betsy Newman](#), Editor, *Rural Connections*.

## COMING SOON!

What you'll be reading in the upcoming issue of *Rural Connections*

### INTRODUCTION

Don E. Albrecht, Western Rural Development Center

### CLIMATE ADAPTATION PLANNING IN NORTHWEST ALASKA

Suggestions for Partnering with Rural Indigenous Communities on the Frontline of Climate Change  
Nathan P. Kettle, Sarah F. Trainor, and Josie-May Sam, University of Alaska; Tina M. Buxbaum, Alaska Center for Climate Assessment and Policy; and Glenn Gray, Glenn Gray and Associates

### ALREADY A LIFESTYLE

How a Rural Nevada Town Used its Natural Assets to Become Sustainable and Successful  
Elizabeth Zach, Rural Community Assistance Corporation

### THE ROLE OF MANUFACTURED HOMES IN MEETING RURAL HOUSING NEEDS

Manufactured Homes Steadily Increasing in Rural America  
Jungmin Lim, Mark Skidmore, and William Dyar, Michigan State University

## ENHANCING AMERICA'S 'RURAL LIFESTYLE'

USDA Rural Development Provides Crucial Assistance  
Ernie Watson, USDA Rural Development New Mexico

## COMMUNITIES THAT EAT TOGETHER GROW TOGETHER

How an Idaho Community is Tackling Food Insecurity  
Katie Hoffman, University of Idaho

## FARM FRESH FOOD BOX

An Innovative New Business Model in Rural Communities

Diane K. Smith, Washington State University Extension; Lauren Greco, University of Vermont; Julie E. Van Soelen Kim, University of California Cooperative Extension; Marilyn Sitaker, The Evergreen State College; and Jane Kolodinsky, University of Vermont

## SAVE THE DATE!

# 2019 Joint National Sustainability Summit and National Extension Energy Summit



April 16-19, 2019  
Westshore Grand - Tampa, Florida

The planning committees for the 2019 National Sustainability Summit and National Extension Energy Summit are excited to announce the dates and location of the 2019 summits. Save the dates, April 16-19, 2019, and plan to join us in Tampa for lively, thought-provoking discussions, presentations, and educational tours. Stay tuned for details pertaining to the Call for Presenters and Posters. In the meantime, take a look back at the [2016 Extension Sustainability Summit](#) and the [2017 Extension Energy Summit](#).

## OPPORTUNITIES

### JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Program Officer - Community Economic Development  
Ford Family Foundation

[Details.](#)

Executive Director of Extension  
Montana State University

[Details.](#)

### CALL FOR TOURISM CASE STUDIES

National Extension Tourism Design Team

[Details.](#)

### WEBINARS

Workforce Development in Extension  
June 4, 2018 - 1PM (MDT)

[Details.](#)

Adverse Childhood Experiences: A Driver of the Opioid Epidemic  
June 19, 2018 - PM (MDT)

[Details.](#)

### CONFERENCES

R2R: Regards to Rural 2018  
Bridges Between Rural & Urban  
May 18-20, 2018



[Details.](#)

NACDEP 2018  
June 10-13, 2018  
Cleveland, Ohio  
[Details.](#)

Community Development Society Conference  
July 22-25, 2018  
Detroit, Michigan  
[Details.](#)

2018 National Direct Agricultural Marketing Summit  
September 15-18, 2018  
Arlington, Virginia  
[Details.](#)

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April 16-19, 2019  
Tampa, Florida  
Save the dates! More details coming soon.

[Click to view the calendar on our website for more upcoming webinars and conferences.](#)

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