

## THE CARIBBEAN JOURNAL OF SOCIAL WORK (CJSW)

### Call for Papers: Volume 16 With a Special Section on Evaluation in Social Work

Authors are invited to submit quality scholarly and creative work that reflects on, analyses, theories or illuminates the lived experiences of Caribbean people within and outside of the region. Articles should stimulate critical, multi-level, multi-systemic thinking about human and social development in our societies. The CJSW is open to consider work in a variety of forms which has been produced using rigorous quantitative, qualitative, participatory, or reflexive approaches. This issue of the CJSW will feature a special section on Evaluation in Social work. This special section will provide an opportunity to interrogate the ways in which social work has been present or absent in the varied domains including policy, practice, and social work education. Papers may be theoretical, empirical, or conceptual in nature.

#### **About the Special Section:**

As social work contributes to the delivery of various services in diverse settings for individuals, families, groups, communities and organizations, policy development remains informed by the lived experiences of communities. The relevance of evaluation in social work is reinforced by its ability to provide evidence-based interventions, social work research and policy development informed by systematic assessment of both clinical and macro social work practice. Contributors to the special section are invited to consider evaluation as a critical vehicle to address the following questions:

- *How are social change and development efforts, social cohesion and empowerment in social work measured?*
- *How do we apply evaluation approaches through the social work lens to address and manage the aftermath of natural disasters such as hurricanes, and pandemics?*
- *What theoretical/conceptual approaches are most appropriate for social work and evaluation in the Caribbean context?*

The main aim of this special section is to advance knowledge and application of evaluation in social work education, practice, research and/or policy in the Caribbean region and Diaspora.

#### **Timeline Guidelines for ALL Submissions:**

<b>Submission Activity</b>	<b>Important dates</b>
Abstract (200 - 250 words) + Bio of Author(s) (50 words)	March 18, 2023
Abstract and Author(s) Bio Approval	July 30, 2023
Final Paper Submission	November 30, 2023
Expected Publication of Volume 16	January 2024

All submissions in Word format must be sent electronically to:

The Editors, The Caribbean Journal of Social Work via email: [cjswauthors@gmail.com](mailto:cjswauthors@gmail.com)

## **Guidelines of Submission**

Manuscripts should not exceed 8,000 words. All submissions must include an abstract of no more than 250 words. Manuscripts without abstracts will be returned. A separate biographical note of no more than 50 words for each author with their institutional affiliations must be included in the submission.

The CJSW uses the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association guidelines in the publication. Authors must adhere to the most recent edition of APA Style <sup>TM</sup> when preparing their manuscripts. Manuscripts or materials simultaneously submitted for review elsewhere, or previously published will not be accepted for consideration. Reprints of articles published elsewhere will be by invitation only.

Manuscripts must adhere to the following:

- Double-spaced throughout, with text left-justified.
- Caribbean/British spelling conventions must be consistently used.
- Cover page: Must include title, author's names, contact information for corresponding author (address, phone number and e-mail address), titles and institutional affiliation for all authors. Where there is more than one author, a corresponding author must be identified. The cover page must be separate from the body of the manuscript
- Information that identifies the author(s) must not appear in text.
- A Running Head with the title shall appear on each page of the manuscript. (Title may be abbreviated if necessary).
- All sources cited must appear in the reference list following the Endnotes at the end of the manuscript. Endnotes should be kept to a minimum. The list of references is expected to be accurate and complete, including a functioning web page link where applicable, and Digital Object Identifier (DOI) where available. Authors are required to provide evidence of approval for use of any copyrighted material included in the manuscript.
- Long strings of references for a single point should be avoided in the text, and the reference list should include only the sources cited in the body of the manuscript.
- Tables and figures must be in print-ready format. Each table or figure must be on a separate sheet of paper with indications in the text of where they are to appear. All tables and figures must be in black and white. High quality computer graphics are preferred. For diagrams and charts, letters and numerals must be large enough to remain legible when reduced.
- Authors will be expected to review the final manuscript prior to publication.