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## EDITOR'S NOTE

If the central theme of the previous section is that we need basic research on community economic development, this section attempts to address some of the questions posed by the first set of authors. Here we add to the literature by addressing questions of leaders aging out, nurturing new leadership, defining capacity, testing the theoretical elements of capacity, and assessing the role benefits play in attracting and retaining talent. The papers are exciting in that they present or summarize new data on the capacity challenges facing community-based development.