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## **State Historical Society awards historic preservation grants**

PIERRE, S.D. -- Historic preservation projects in Mitchell, Sioux Falls and the Spearfish vicinity recently received matching grants from the South Dakota State Historical Society.

“This is the 18th year for this historic preservation grants program,” said Jay D. Vogt, director of the State Historical Society. “In 2014 we awarded \$121,921 among 11 projects which will result in a total public-private investment of \$447,799. This program is designed to encourage restoration or rehabilitation of historic properties and is one more way we can promote and protect our history and culture.”

The following projects were the most recent to receive grants to supplement their work:

- Mitchell: Whittier School (aka Whittier Lofts), built in 1935, \$15,000 to repoint the mortar on the brick exterior and to seal joints
- Sioux Falls: Marion E. Bowen House, built in 1888, \$14,740 to repoint the mortar on the brick exterior and the Sioux quartzite stone foundation and to seal joints
- Sioux Falls: Shriver-Johnson Building, built in 1918, \$15,000 to repoint the mortar in the stone and brickwork and to seal joints
- Spearfish vicinity: Anderson Ranch at Frawley Ranches, built in 1888, \$10,350 to repoint mortar joints and replace the roof

These recipients represent a total award amount of \$55,090 and public-private matching funds of \$190,308.

The grants are awarded through the State Historical Society’s Deadwood Fund grant program. Funding for the program is from Deadwood gaming revenue earmarked by state law for historic preservation projects throughout the state. The program is administered by the State Historic Preservation Office at the Cultural Heritage Center in Pierre.

Deadwood Fund grants are awarded twice a year with grant application deadlines of Feb. 1 and Oct. 1. They are reviewed at the spring and winter meetings of the State Historical Society’s board of trustees. For more information on the Deadwood Fund grant program, contact the State Historic Preservation Office at the Cultural Heritage Center, 900 Governors Drive, Pierre, SD 57501-2217; telephone (605) 773-3458; or website [www.history.sd.gov/Preservation](http://www.history.sd.gov/Preservation).

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*The South Dakota State Historical Society is a division of the Department of Education. The State Historical Society, an Affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, is headquartered at the South Dakota Cultural Heritage Center in Pierre. The center houses the society’s world-class museum, the archives, and the historic preservation, publishing and administrative/development offices. Call (605) 773-3458 or visit [www.history.sd.gov](http://www.history.sd.gov) for more information. The society also has an archaeology office in Rapid City; call (605) 394-1936 for more information.*