



November 18, 2022

Michael Runge  
City Archivist and Collections Manager  
City of Deadwood  
Historic Preservation Office  
108 Sherman Street  
Deadwood, SD 57732

**RE: Request for Support, 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Plains Anthropological Conference 2023**

Dear Mr. Runge:

The SDSHS Archaeological Research Center will be hosting the upcoming 80<sup>th</sup> annual Plains Anthropological Conference (PAC) in Rapid City, October 18-21, 2023. As you know, we've been host to other professional conferences in the past that were very successful by all accounts, due in no small measure to the partnership with and support of the Deadwood Historic Preservation Office.

In hopes of providing a similarly great conference experience to PAC attendees, we are requesting support from the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission, through a financial donation or grant of \$1,500.00 if possible, for either general funding to offset the total costs of hosting the PAC or perhaps support of a specific event (e.g., presentation sessions, poster sessions, student workshops, or the conference's welcoming reception).

We are also interested in working with Deadwood Historic Preservation staff to schedule tours of Historic Deadwood and the Brothel Museum that could be offered to PAC attendees. The venue for the conference will be the Holiday Inn Downtown Convention Center in Rapid City. The PAC opens Wednesday, October 18 and closes Saturday, October 21, 2023. We'd like to be able to offer both requested tours as post-conference offsite tours on Saturday afternoon (10/21/2023) if possible.

Thank you for your consideration of this request for support. If you have any questions concerning the upcoming conference, or if there are forms or individuals that I can be directed to, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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