



**Windsor Trail, 302.5 acres**

Northeast slopes of Mt. Ascutney, Windsor, VT

*Protected in 2000*

*Land purchased by UVLT and conveyed to State of Vermont subject to a Conservation Easement  
Funds from federal Transportation Enhancements program, state AOT and VHCB grants, and local fundraising*

***Project Story (from UVLT archives)***

Since 1857, hikers have climbed Mount Ascutney by way of the Windsor Trail, the oldest and most heavily used of the mountain's trails. UVLT purchased 302 acres surrounding the lower segment of the trail and conveyed the land to the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks, & Recreation as an addition to the Ascutney State Park. Funds for the purchase were raised through state and federal grants, as well as private donations. Elementary School students in Springfield conducted an Earth Day walk-a-thon, raising almost \$1,750 for the purchase. Conservation of this key parcel successfully completed a fifteen-year endeavor to protect public access to all the hiking trails on Mt. Ascutney.

