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# Orange County Heritage Trail



The Orange County Heritage Trail is a paved multi-use trail that runs through diverse landscapes, connecting numerous growing towns and villages in Orange County to each other and to open farmland, nature preserves, and historic sites. It is envisioned that this trail will run from the Harriman Train Station, to where it will connect to west of the City of Middletown.

## Location

Orange County

## Trail Length Vision

35 Miles

## Communities to be Served

Harriman, Monroe, Chester, Goshen, the City of Middletown, Otisville, and Westbrookville.

## Trail Will Connect With

Schunnemunk Rail Trail, O&W Rail Trail and D&H Canal, Middletown Reservoir Trails, Long Path, Highlands Trail, and the Shawangunk Ridge Trail.

## Immediate Funding Goal

- \$1.25 million for OSI to complete the acquisition of critical parcels connecting to the Harriman Train Station and the Schunnemunk Rail Trail.



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## OSI History

OSI acquired 10 miles of the Schunnemunk Rail Trail to connect with and expand the Orange County Heritage Trail.

## Impact

Critical properties were permanently protected just east of Harriman, at Goosepond Mountain State Park, and along the Shawangunk Ridge.

## Current Projects

- OSI is working on the Harriman Station connector parcel, a 1.5-mile-long section of disused rail corridor linking the eastern end of the Heritage Trail with Harriman Station.
- Orange County is working to designate Camp LaGuardia as a county park to connect OSI's planned Schunnemunk Rail Trail and the Orange County Heritage Trail.

## Trail Partners

Orange County, Orange County Land Trust, and the New York-New Jersey Trail Conference.

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