

As a result of the implementation of the Orem Declaration of Mountain Women, the final document of The Women of the Mountains Conference, organized in 2007 by Utah Valley University and the Utah-Russia Institute in Orem, Utah, United States, several institutions in the Rocky Mountain states of North America established a regional network on sustainable mountain development and gender issues, with also the aim of strengthening relations with the Mountain Partnership and the Mountain Forum for the western part of the United States.

Among the examples of implementation of this regional approach were state legislature/parliament exchanges between Rocky Mountain States and Mountain nations in Central Asia, sales by Vista 3600 of hand-made local handicrafts from the mountain areas of Central Asia in the Rocky Mountain States and funding of a trip of the folk music group "Kut" from Kyrgyzstan. UVU plans to have the next Conference in Orem, Utah, in the spring of 2010 with the aim of implementing the results of the 2007 Conference.