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# What We Do

# **Individual Planning Studies**

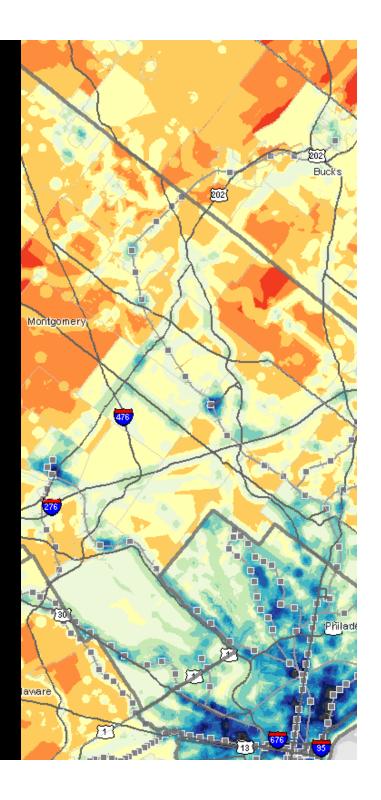
Discrete transit/bike/ped planning projects requested by our partners and member governments.

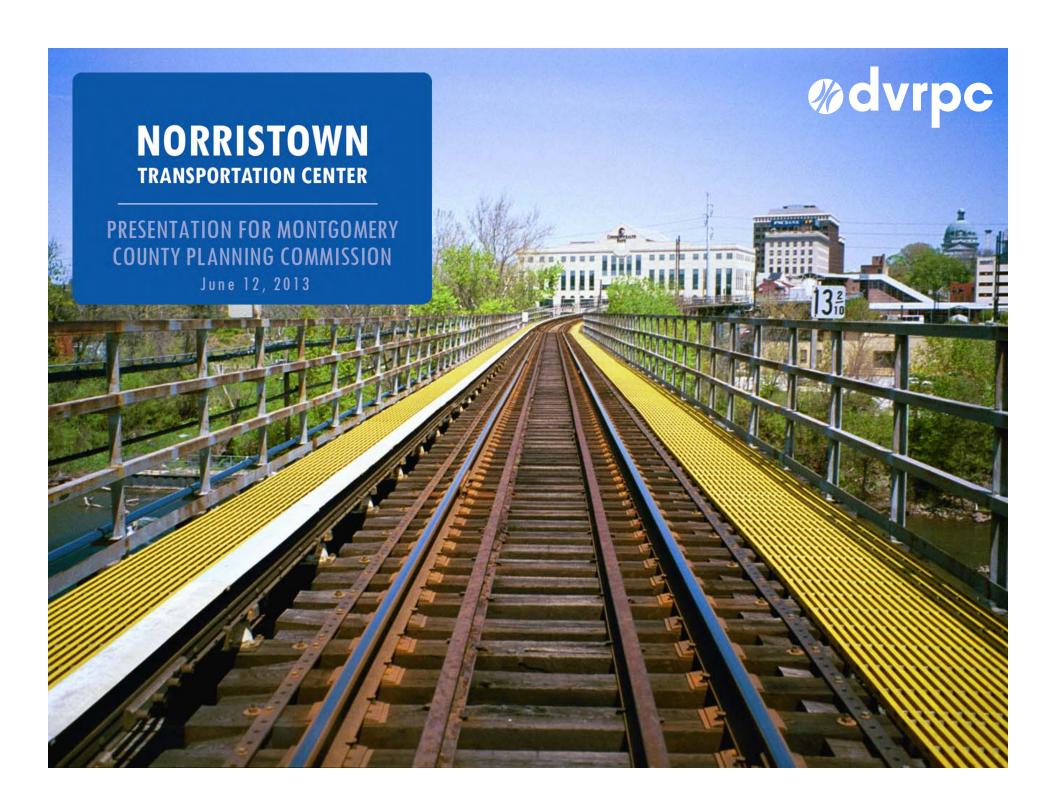
# Regional Analysis and Priority Setting

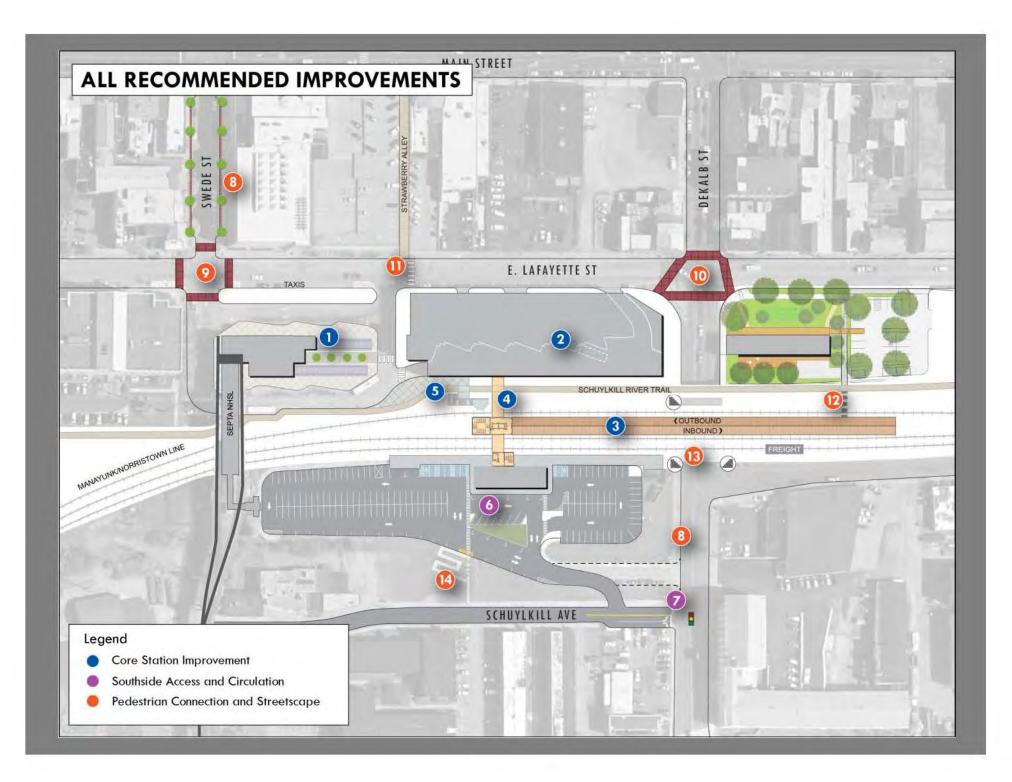
Develop tools and perform analysis to understand and prioritize transit/bike/ped issues and needs from a regional perspective.

# Project selection for CHSTP programs

Convene counties and transit agencies to solicit, score, and select projects on a regular basis.







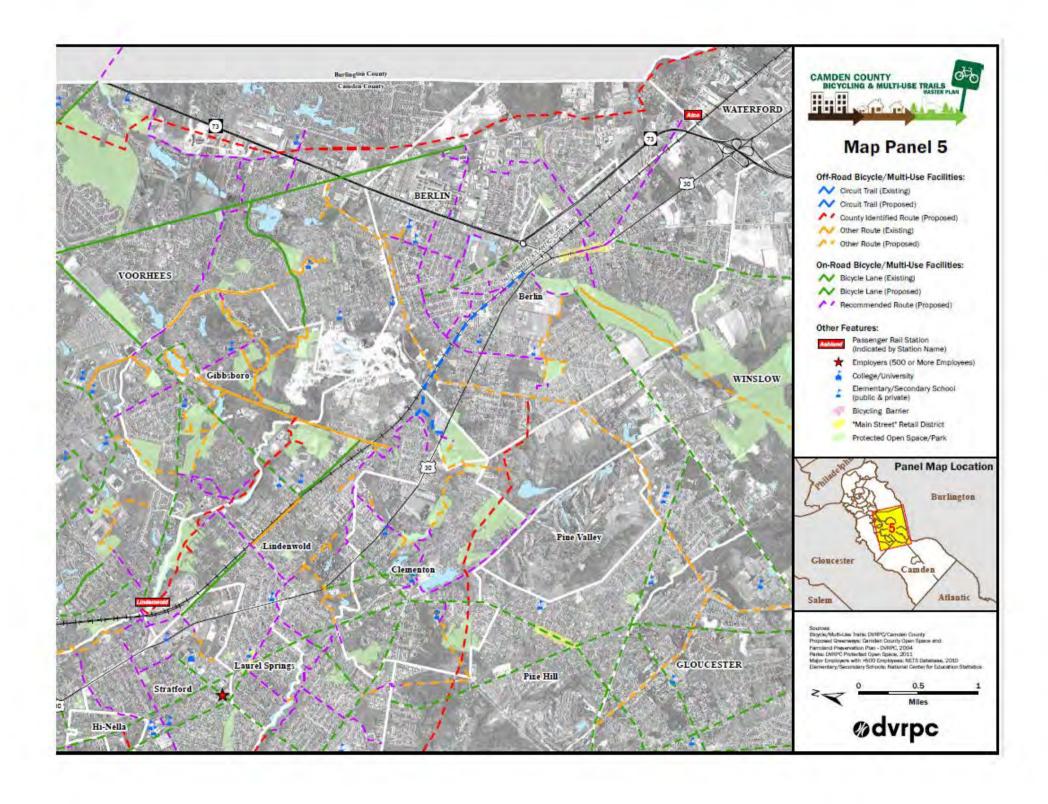








Stop Configuration  Curbside/shoulder stop (near side)		Roadway Characteristic	Minimum Safety Buffer	Primary Bus Zone Length	Additional Deceleration Space	Additional Acceleration Space	Equiv. Parking Spaces
			А	В	С	D	E
		Urban street with on-street parking: typical posted speeds 25-30 mph; Bus enters stop area at 10 mph	10 ft. (3.0m) safety buffer behind crosswalk	100 ft. (30.5m) l x 10 ft. (3.0m) w in parking lane; add 20 ft. (6.1m) for articulated bus*	No additional space required	N/A: Uses intersection to accelerate	Up to 5 spaces needed to create bus zone
	D >	Minor road with no on- street parking: typical posted speeds 25-35 mph; Bus enters stop area at 15 mph	10 ft. (3.0m) safety buffer behind crosswalk	100 ft. (30.5m) l x 10 ft. (3.0m) w in shoulder; add 20 ft. (6.1m) for articulated bus*	50 ft. (15.2 m) transition	N/A: Uses intersection to accelerate	None; road shoulder is used
	В	Major road with no on- street parking: typical posted speeds 35-45 mph; Bus enters stop area at 20 mph	10 ft. (3.0m) safety buffer behind crosswalk	100 ft. (30.5m) I x 11 ft. (3.4 m) W in shoulder, add 20 ft. (6.1m) for articulated bus*	100 ft. (30.5 m) transition	N/A: Uses intersection to accelerate	None; road shoulder is used



Existing.

crosswalks.

Interventions.

crossing for path users.

There is excess width at the

intersection of Broad and Bigler streets

Widen the crossing markings and curb

ramps and build bumpouts on both

sides of the intersection to ease the

along with narrow curb ramps and

# **SECTION 2: Bigler Street to Packer Avenue**

The section of the sidepath from Bigler Street to Packer Avenue presents several challenges due to the configuration of the medians and the narrow sidewalks with abutting parking on the residential frontages. Additionally, the auto-centric land uses south of Pollock Street and the ambiguous location of the sidewalk need to be addressed.



# Existing.

The median narrows from 50 feet at Bigler Street to 8 feet at Pollock Street.

Widen the median to accommodate the

### Intervention.

sidepath. Adjacent to the through lanes on Broad Street is a striped shoulder that would be added to the median. On the southern end of the median, space from the residential slip road would be taken, too. This would narrow the intersection of the residential portion



## Intervention.

Existing.

A new bus pad would be constructed based on the SEPTA Bus Stop Design Guidelines. This would provide an improved waiting area and would ensure that riders would not have to wait on the sidepath. The space added on each side of the median would provide the necessary space for this improvement. Stormwater management, potentially with green infrastructure, would need to be incorporated in this and would require further study.

The current bus stop is a worn dirt spot at the end of the median. There is a sewer inlet on the eastern tip of the median.

## Existing.

On both sides of Pollock Street at Broad Street, 10 feet by 20 feet pavement markings are striped to keep cars from blocking the intersection.

### Intervention.

To ensure that these clear areas remain clear, bumpouts would be constructed on both sides of Pollock. This would ensure that vehicles do not block the crossing and would make the crossing safer by shortening the distance and forcing vehicles to slow as they began

### Existing.

From Pollock Street to the I-76 overpass, the sidewalk is undefined and used by adjacent buildings as a driveway and for parking.

### Intervention.

The striped shoulder would be taken to construct a planted buffer between the roadway and the sidepath. Planted areas would also be constructed between the sidepath and the businesses. This would prevent parking and green the area. Additionally, bollards would be installed on either side of the driveways to prevent cars from pulling on to the sidepath. Warning signage would be placed prior to the driveways to alert drivers and sidepath users.



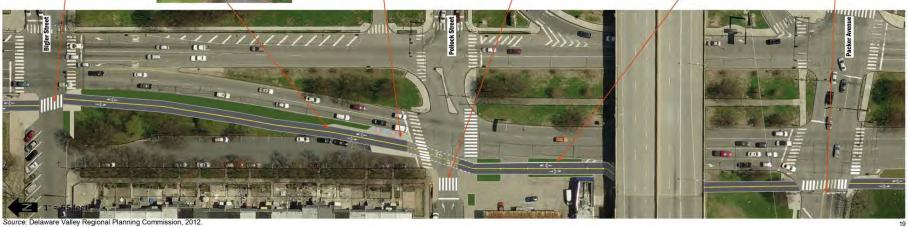


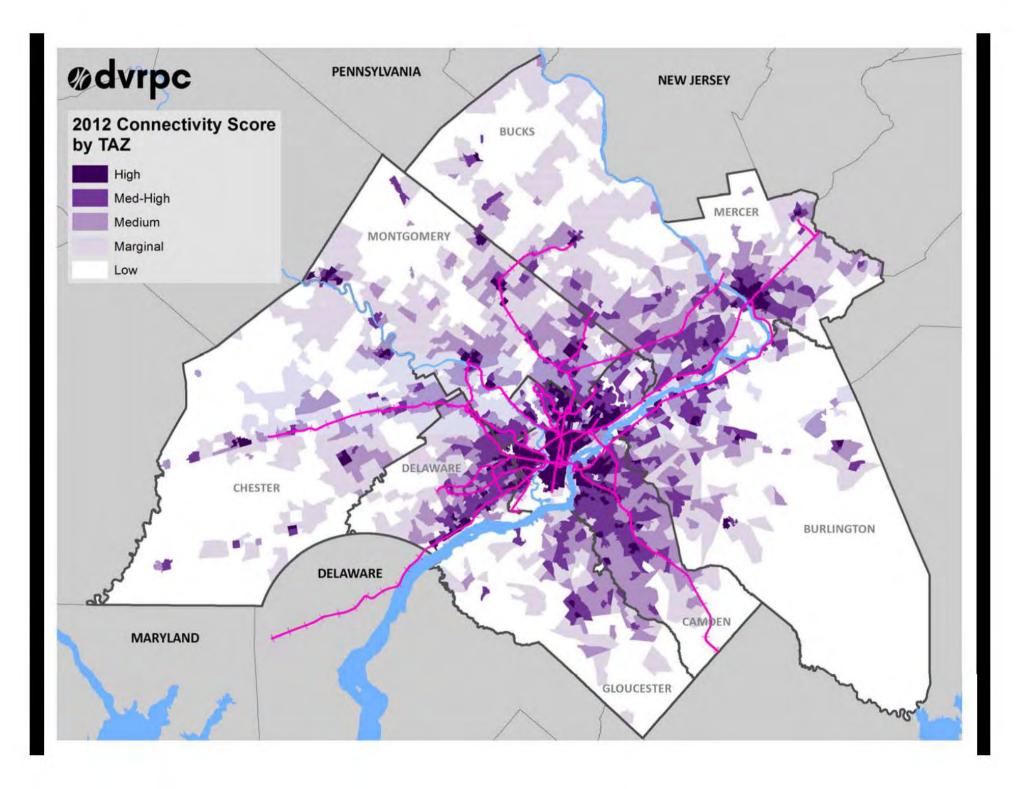
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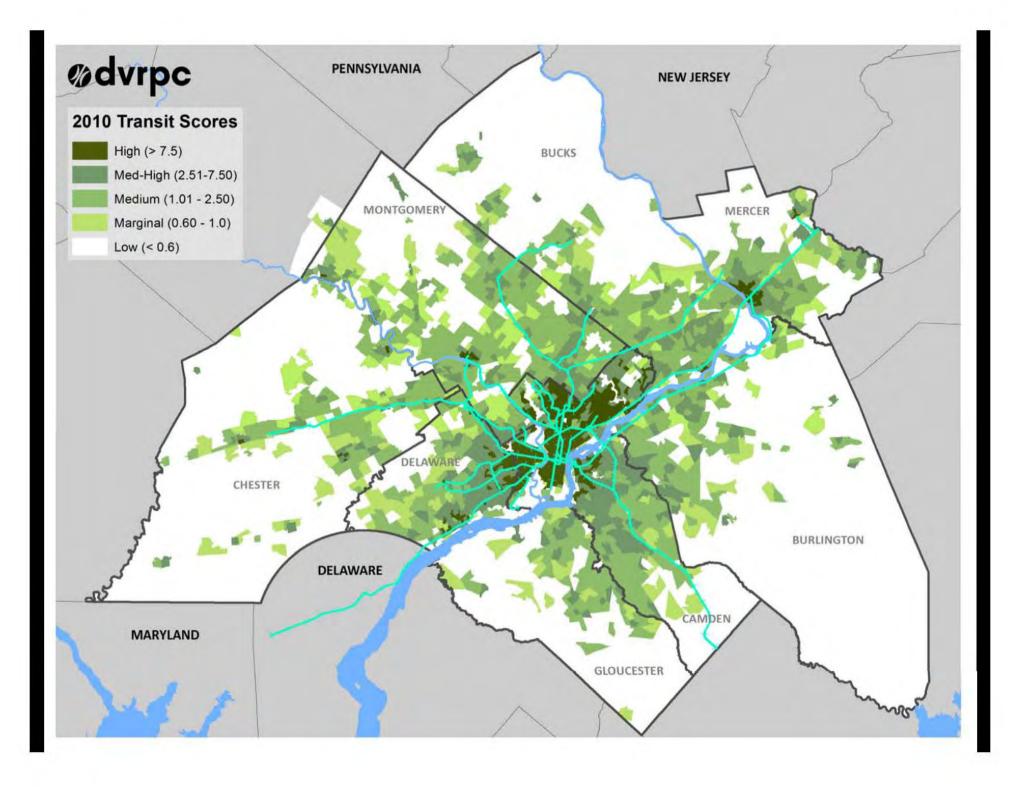
At Packer Avenue, Broad Street has very wide curb radii, allowing vehicles to maintain high speeds during turns.

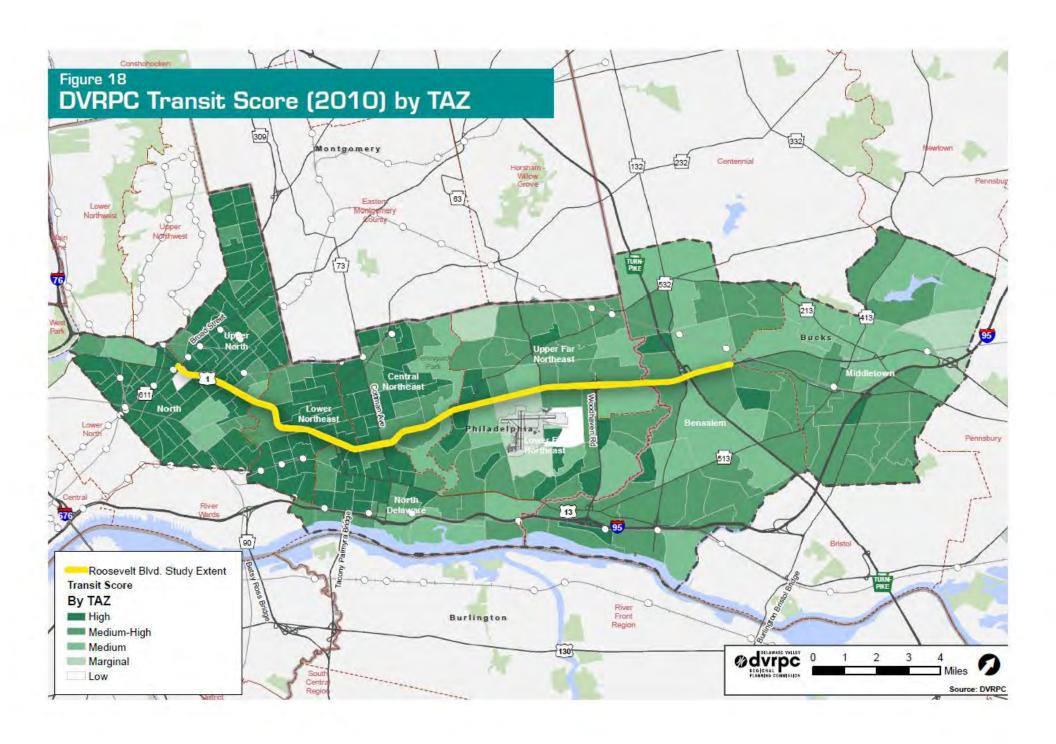
### Intervention.

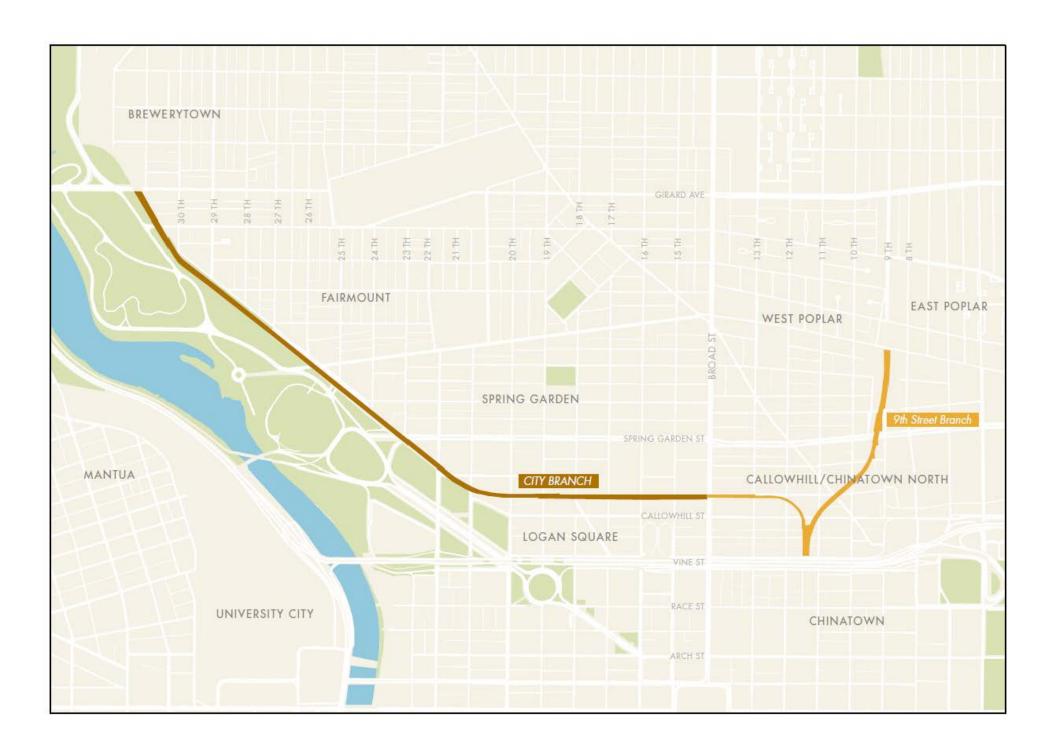
Appropriate traffic calming treatments are necessary but require additional study. Any intervention should be coordinated with other ongoing efforts along Packer Avenue.

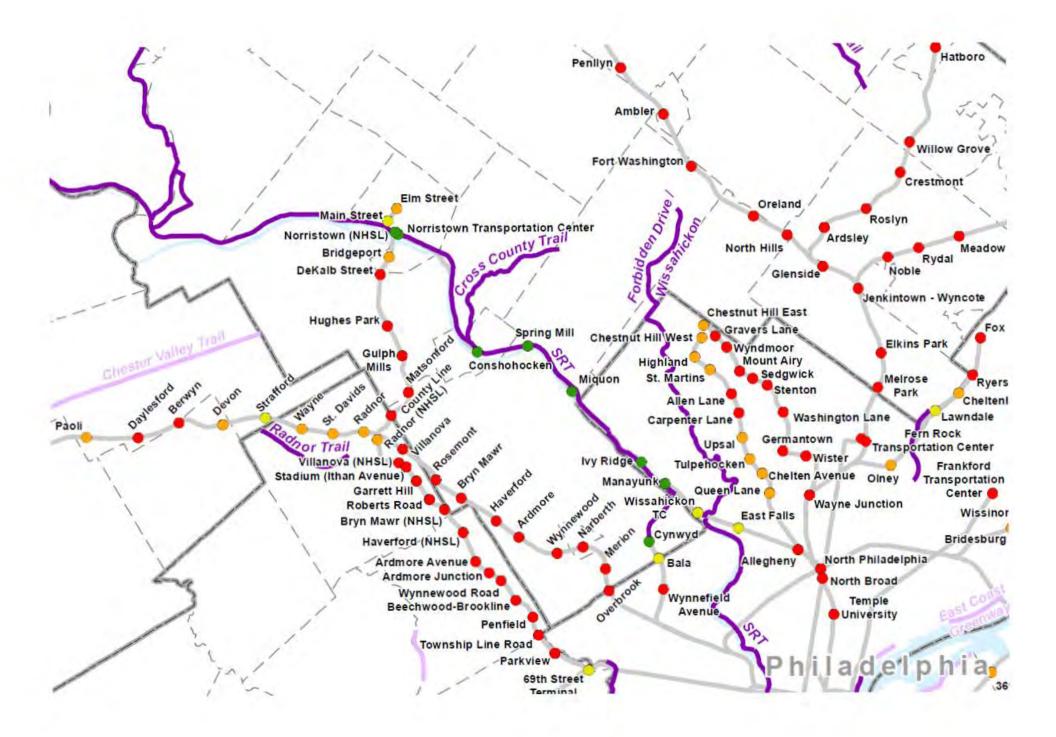












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