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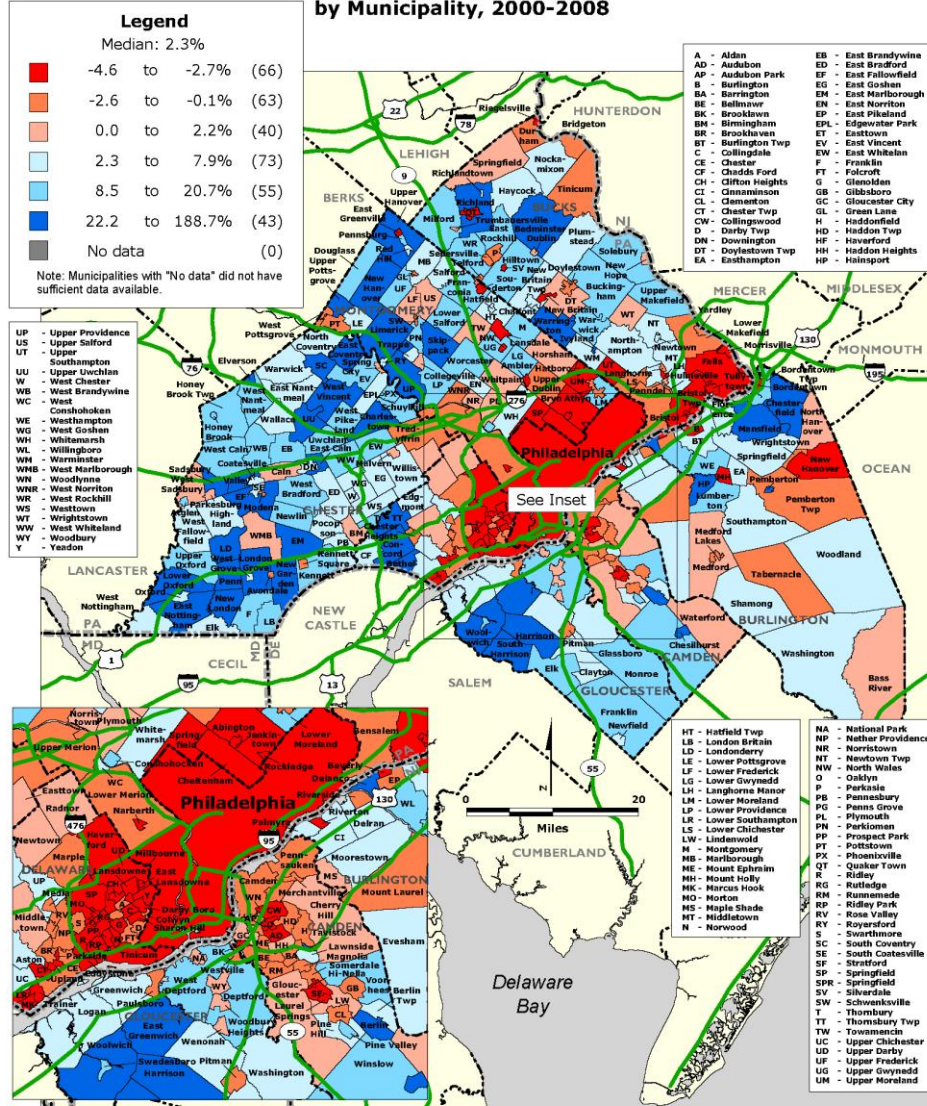


Five Stages of Municipal Fiscal Decline

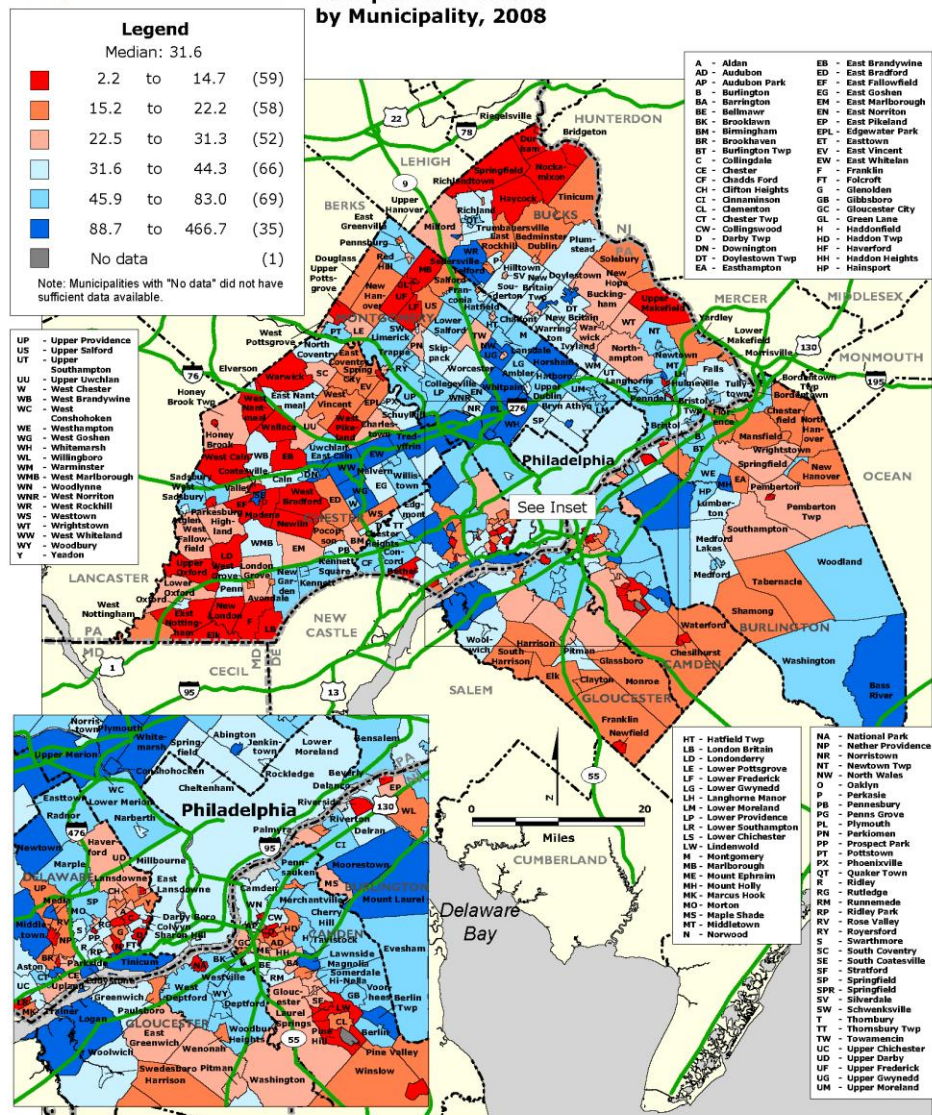
1. Low taxes with prosperity
2. Gradually increasing tax rates with increasing demand for services
3. Taxes increase; reductions in non-core services
4. Tax revenues or tax base begins to decrease; reductions in core services
5. Loss of tax base, population, and increasing fiscal distress



PHILADELPHIA REGION: Percentage Change in Population by Municipality, 2000-2008



PHILADELPHIA REGION: Jobs per 100 Persons by Municipality, 2008



Factors for a Municipal Opportunity Index

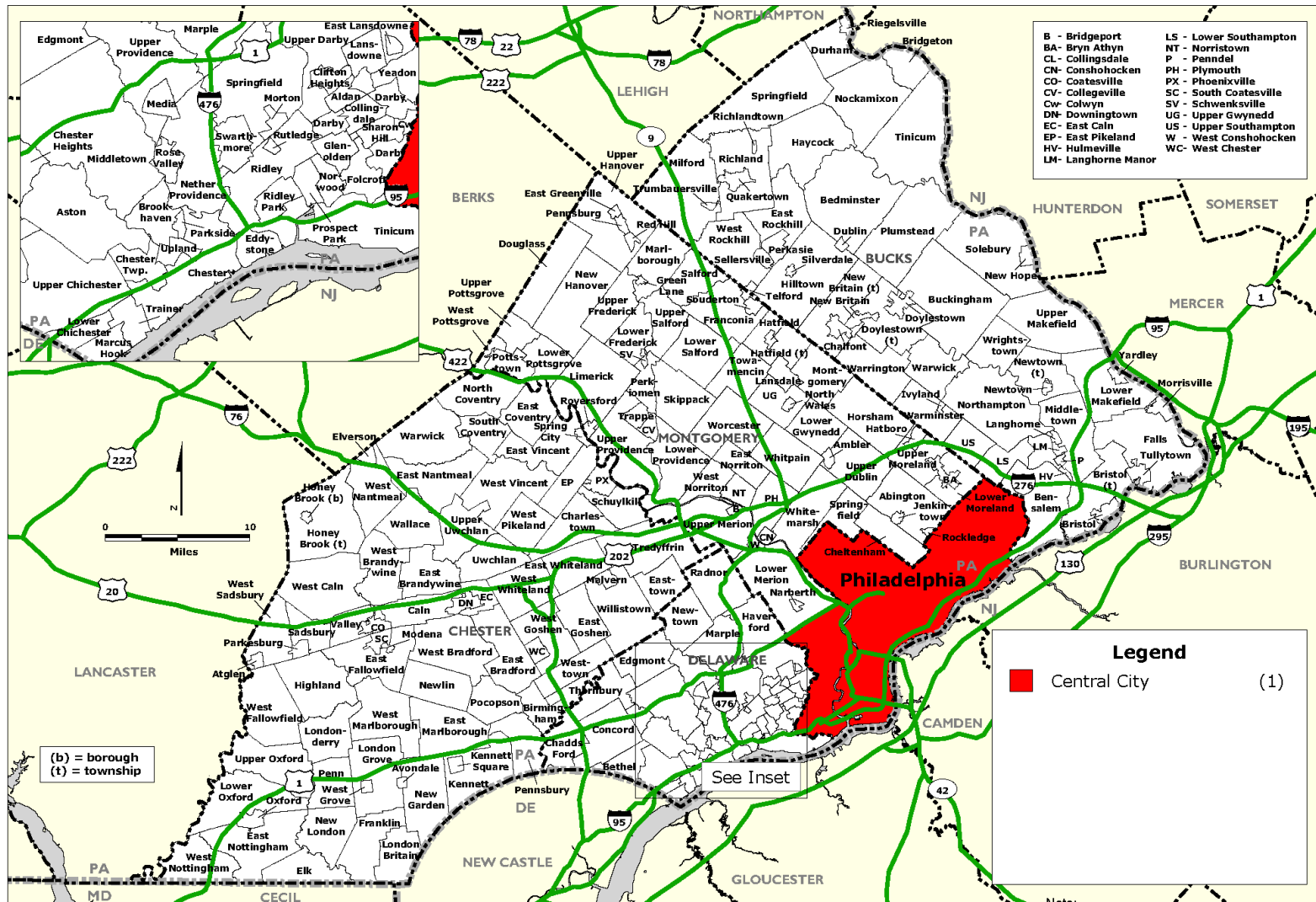
- ❖ Good jobs**
- ❖ Good schools**
- ❖ Good tax base**
- ❖ Good neighborhoods**

Southeastern PA is divided into:

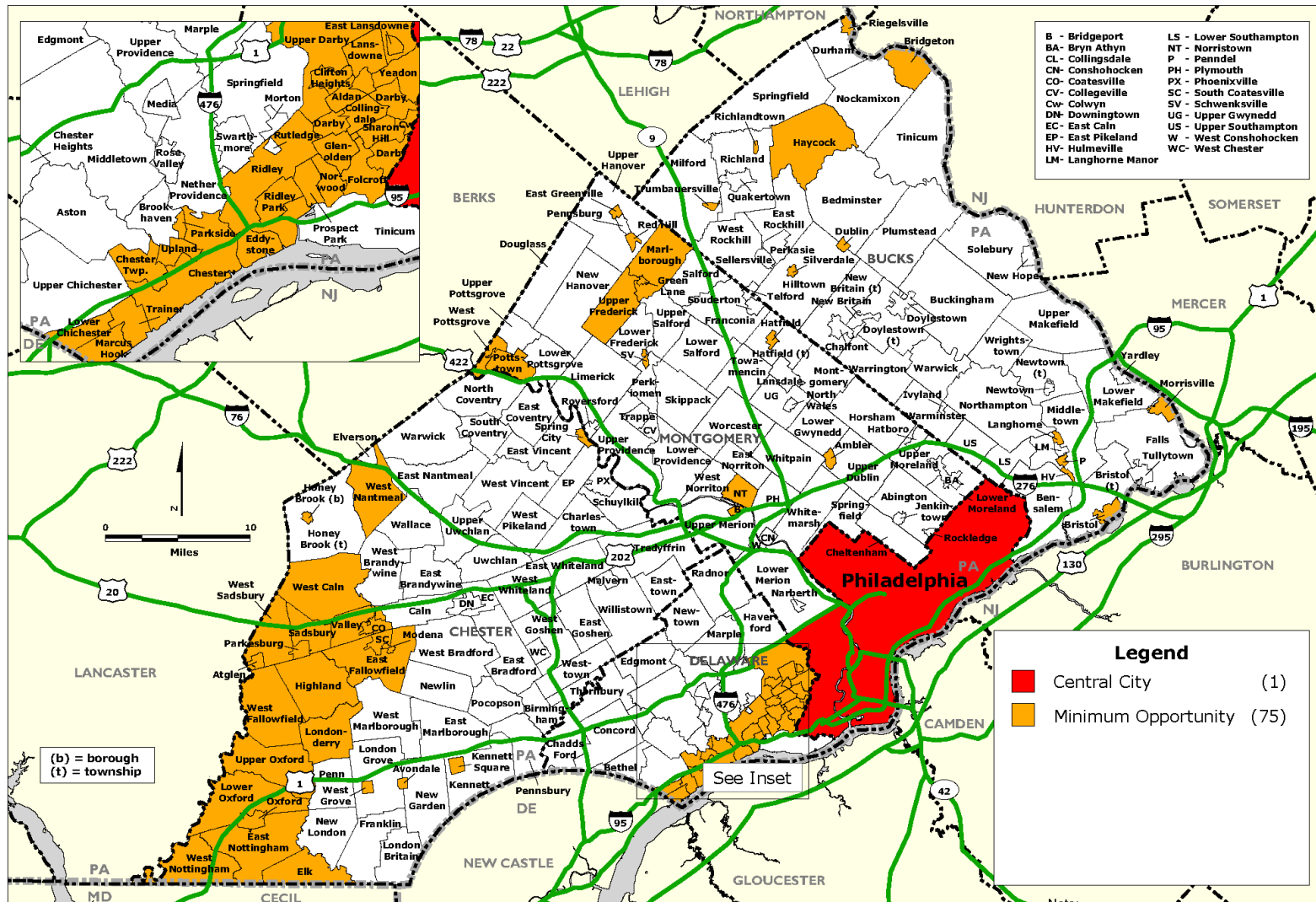
- **23 maximum opportunity towns**
- **37 high opportunity towns**
- **43 medium opportunity towns**
- **59 low opportunity towns**
- **75 minimum opportunity towns**
- **1 central city (Philadelphia)**

238 cities, boroughs, and township

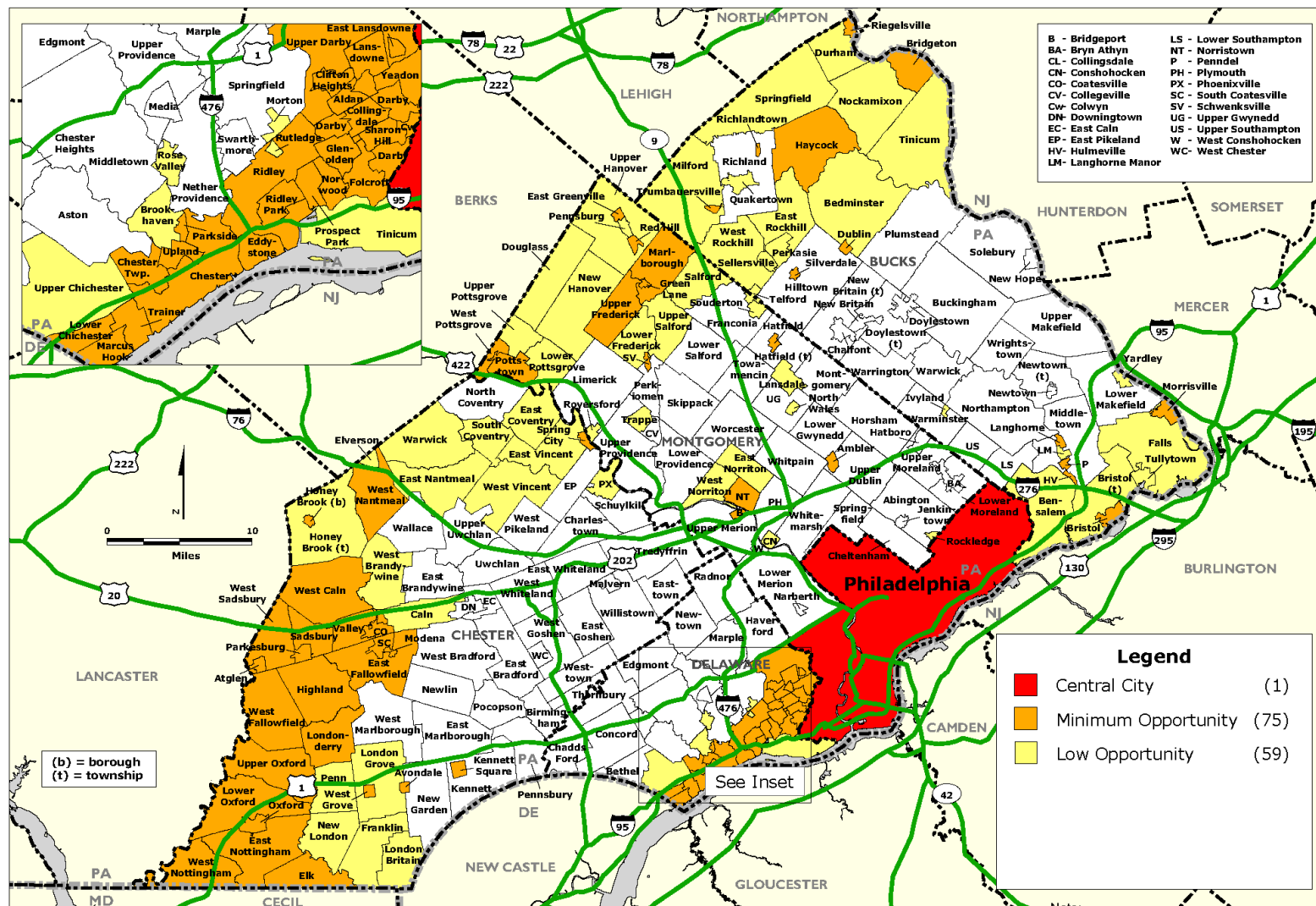
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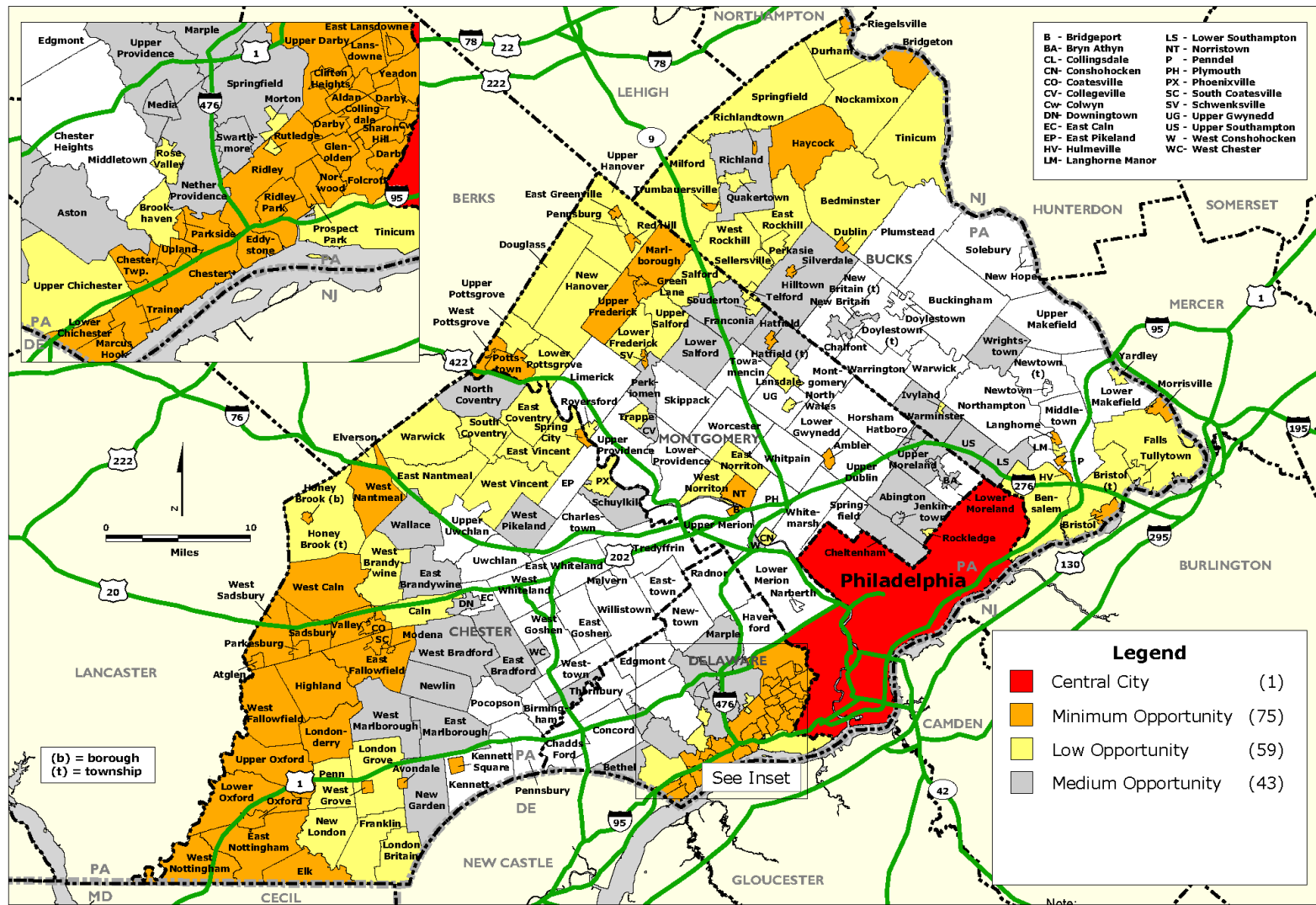


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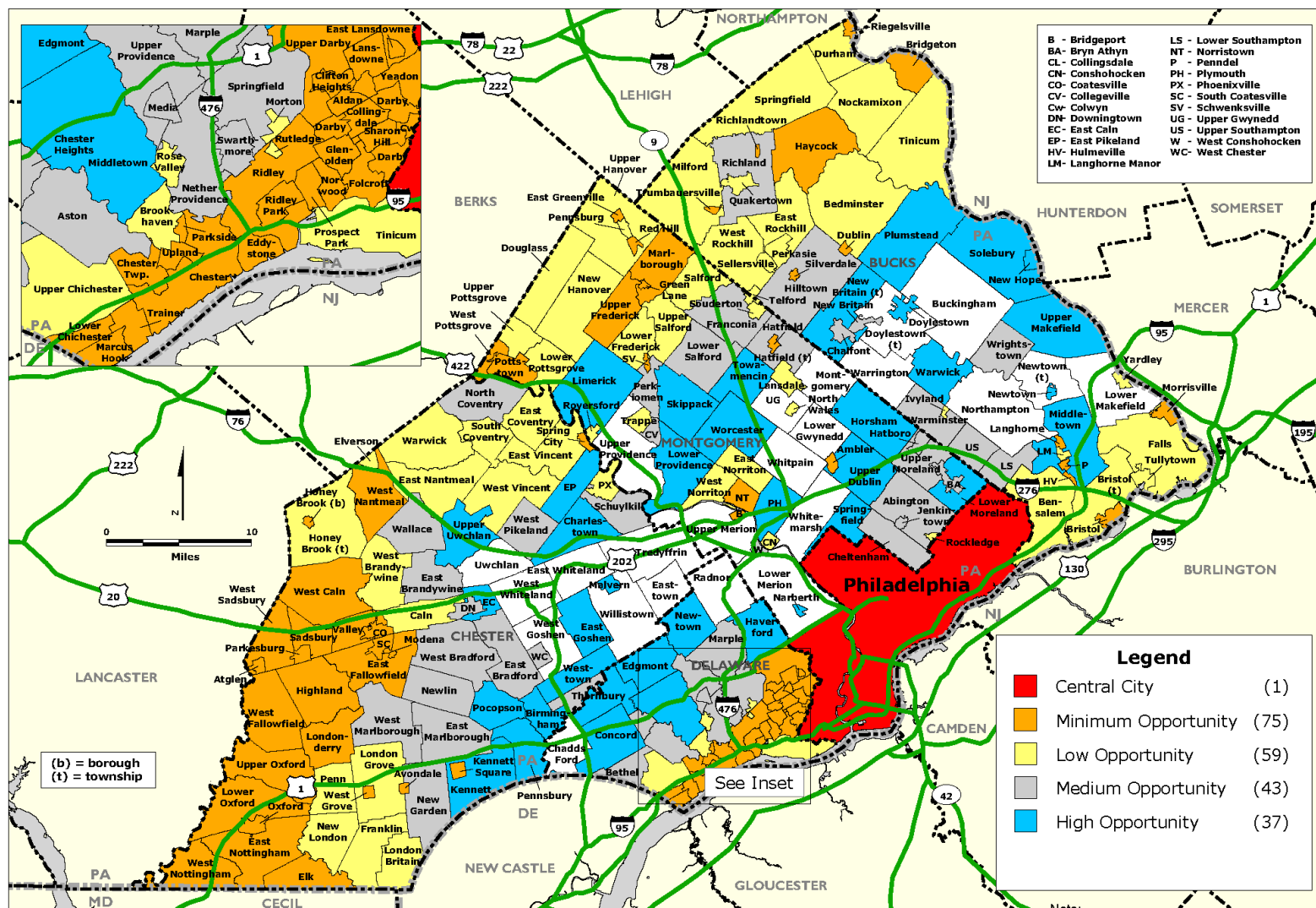


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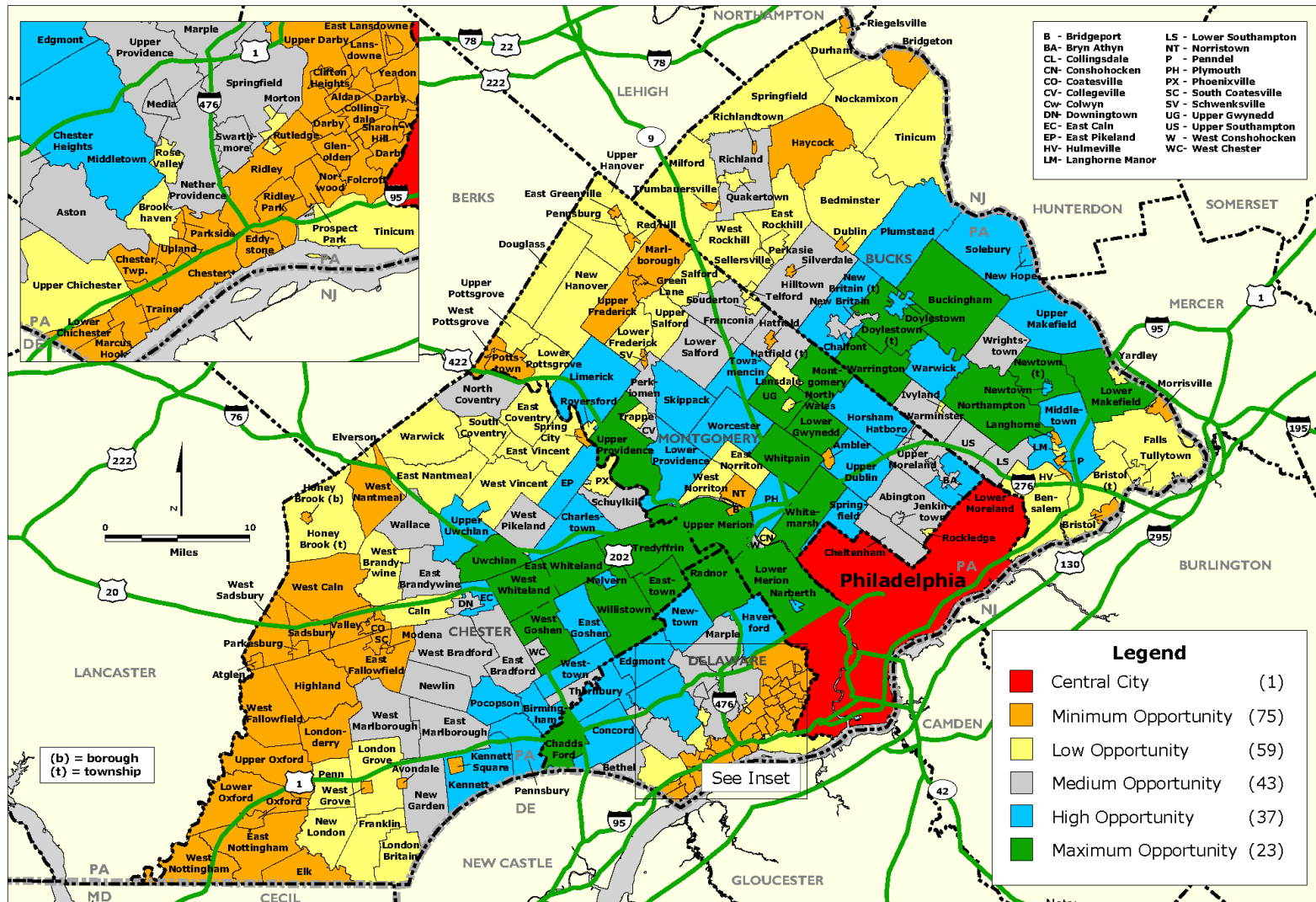




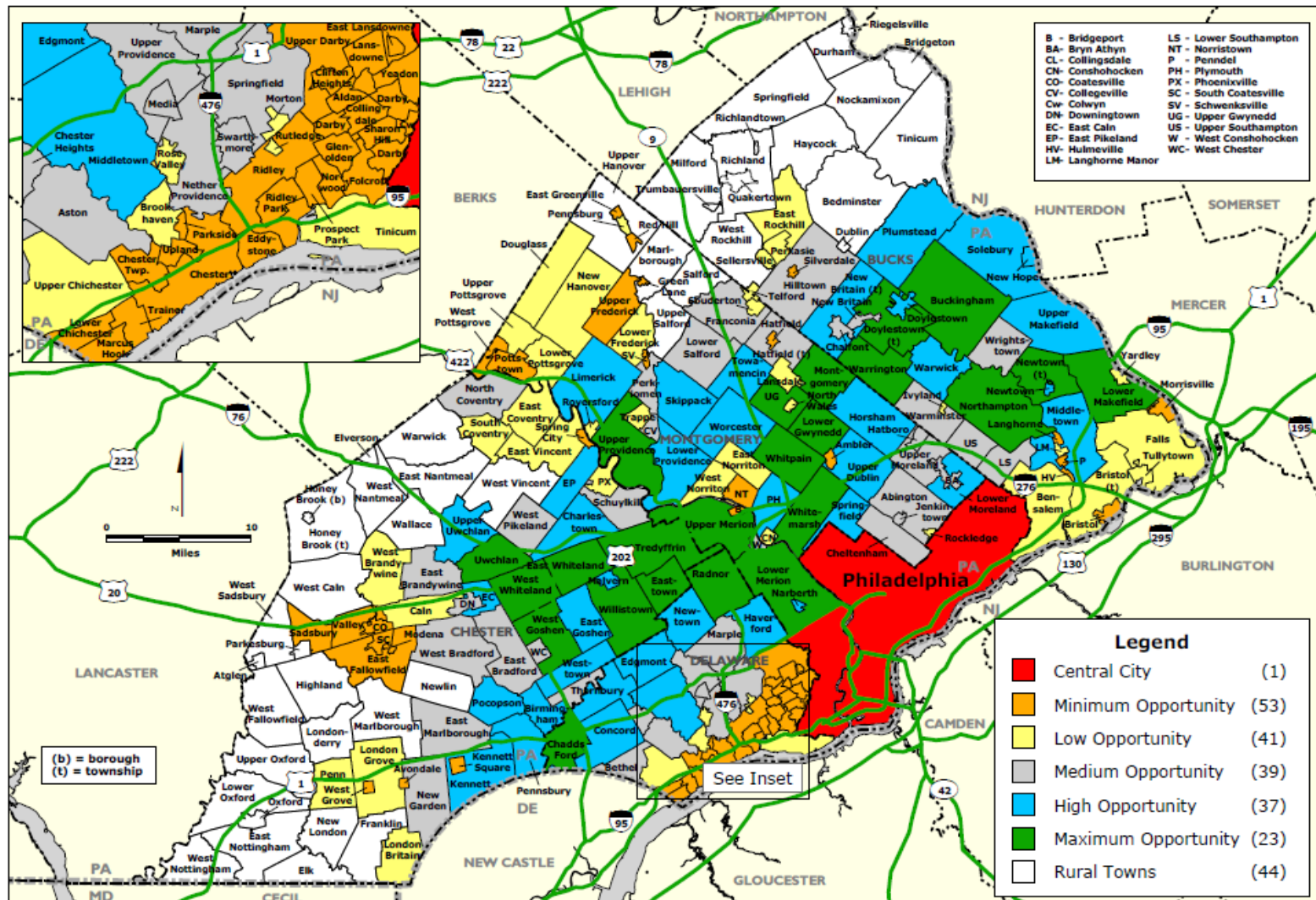
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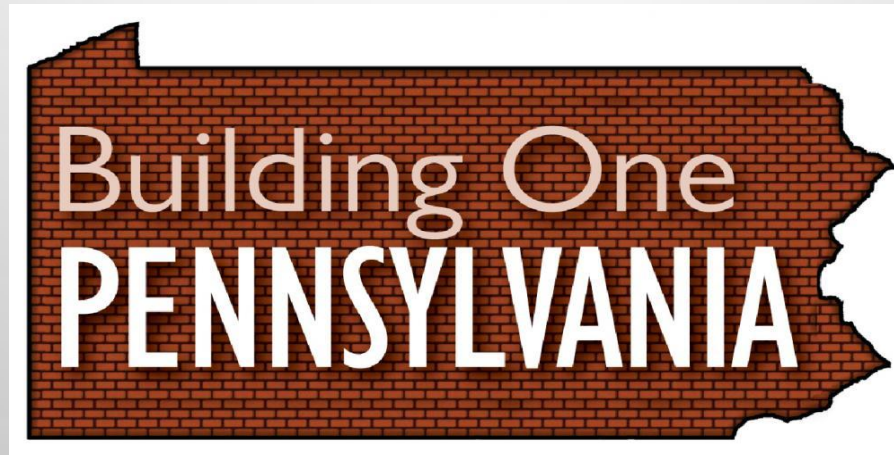


White House Forum

July 18, 2011



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Statewide Public Meeting

Thursday, October 27th

11:30-1:00

Brightside Baptist Church Lancaster, PA

www.BuildOnePa.org

SAVE THE DATE

LEADERS

Building Our Future Together

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2011 ♦ 6:00 PM

TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB, LANSDOWNE, PA

The Southeastern Pennsylvania First Suburbs Project's Second Annual Fundraiser