



Lehigh Valley Transportation Study

WORKSHOP LV MULTIMODAL

**Coordinated Public Transit - Human Services Transportation Plan
Supporting Mobility for Seniors and People with Disabilities**

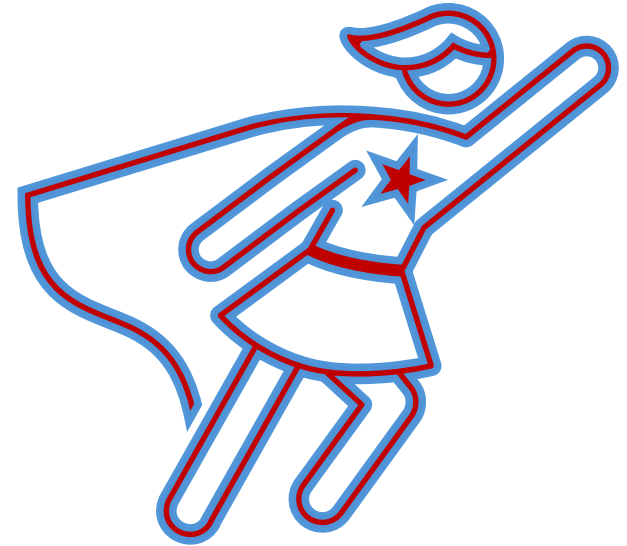
Agenda

- **Welcome and Introductions**
- **What is a Coordinated Plan?**
- **Data Collected**
- **Section 5310 Funding**
- **Needs Identified**
- **Challenges Faced**



Welcome & Introductions

- **Name**
- **Organization**
- **What superpower would you have?**



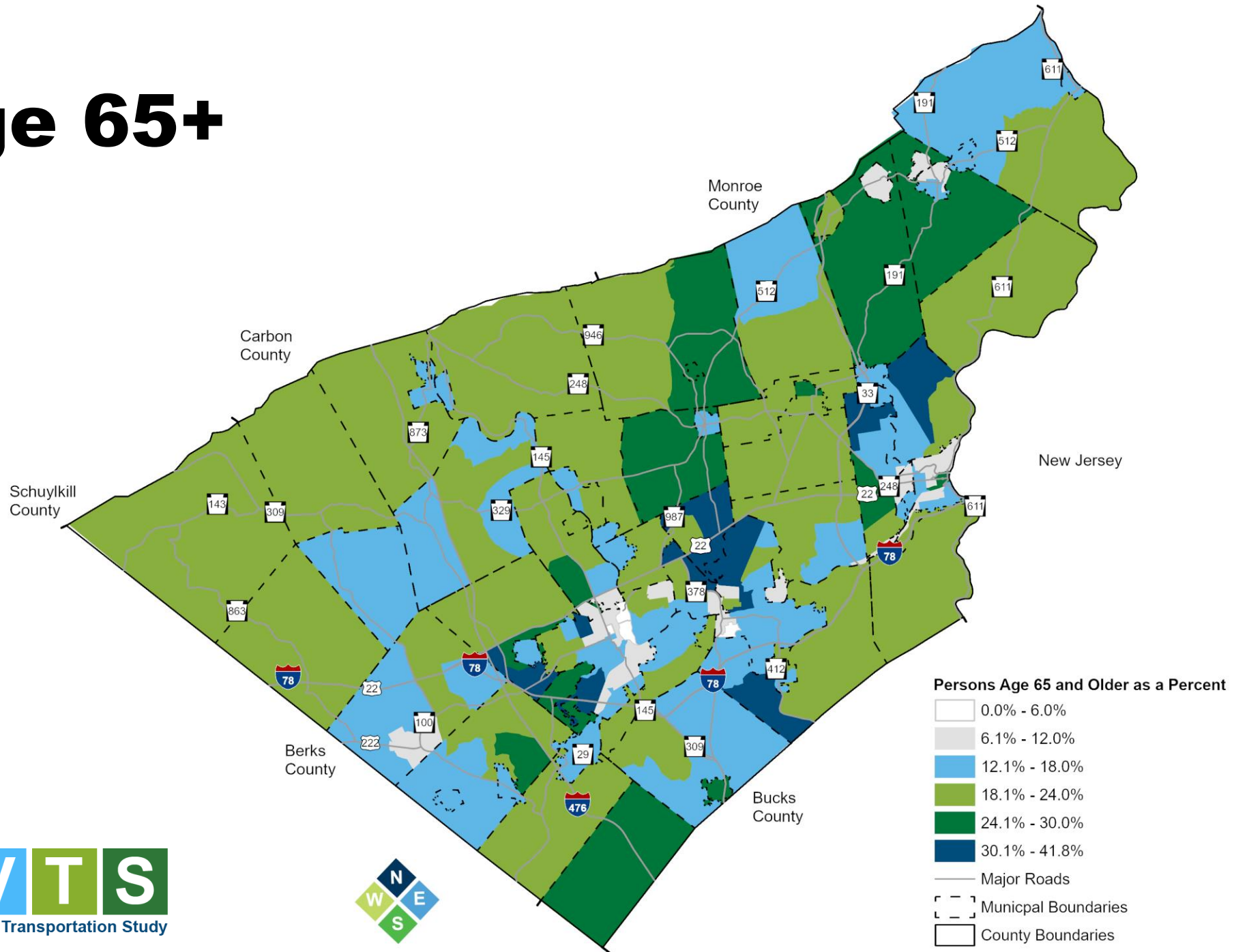


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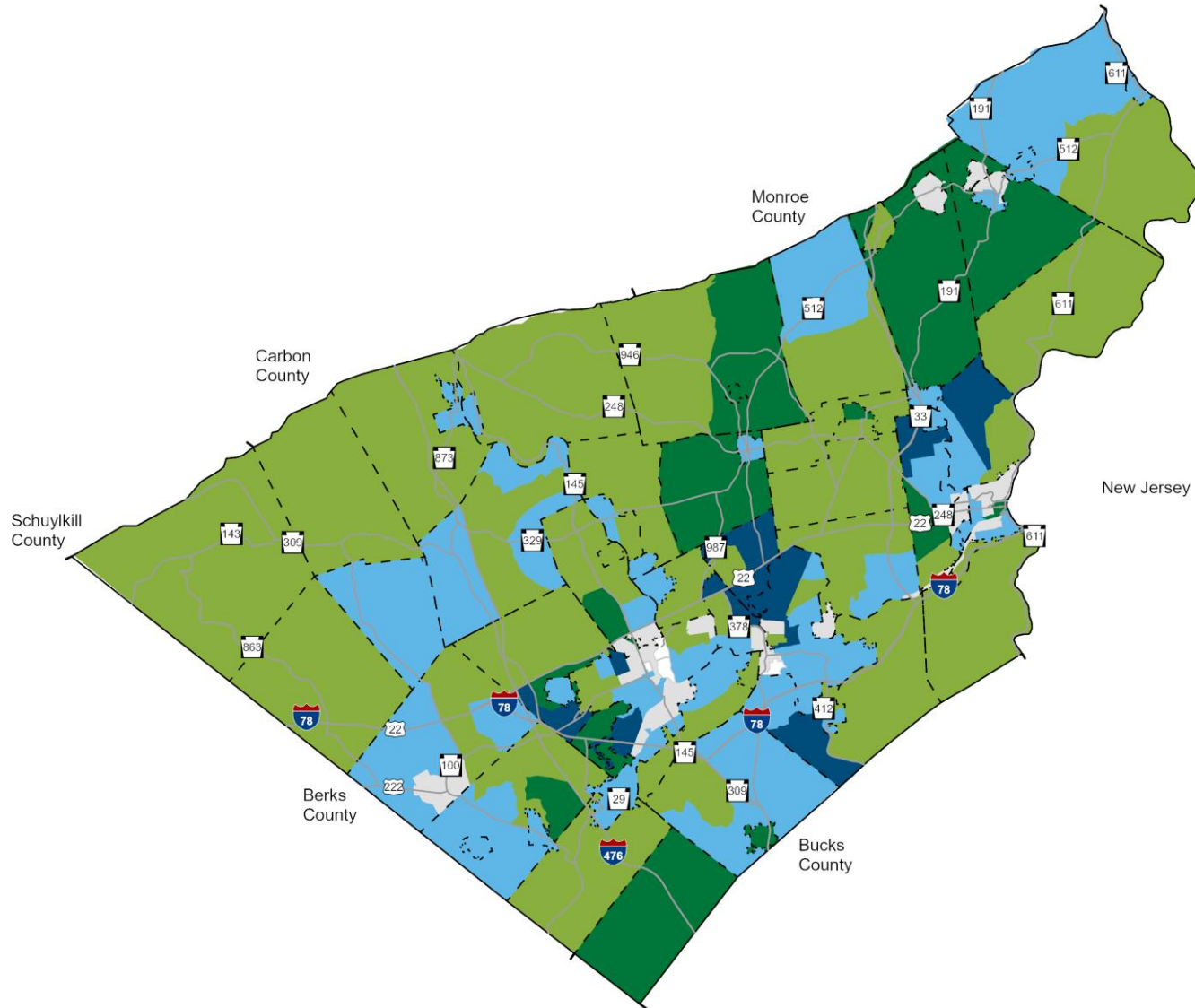
- **Required plan for the region per federal statute**
- **Includes:**
 - **Assessment of Available Service Providers**
 - **Assessment of Transportation Needs for Seniors & People with Disabilities**
 - **Strategies, Activities, and/or Projects to Address Gaps**
 - **Priorities For Implementation**
- **Current plan located here:**

lvpc.org/transportation-plans-1

Age 65+

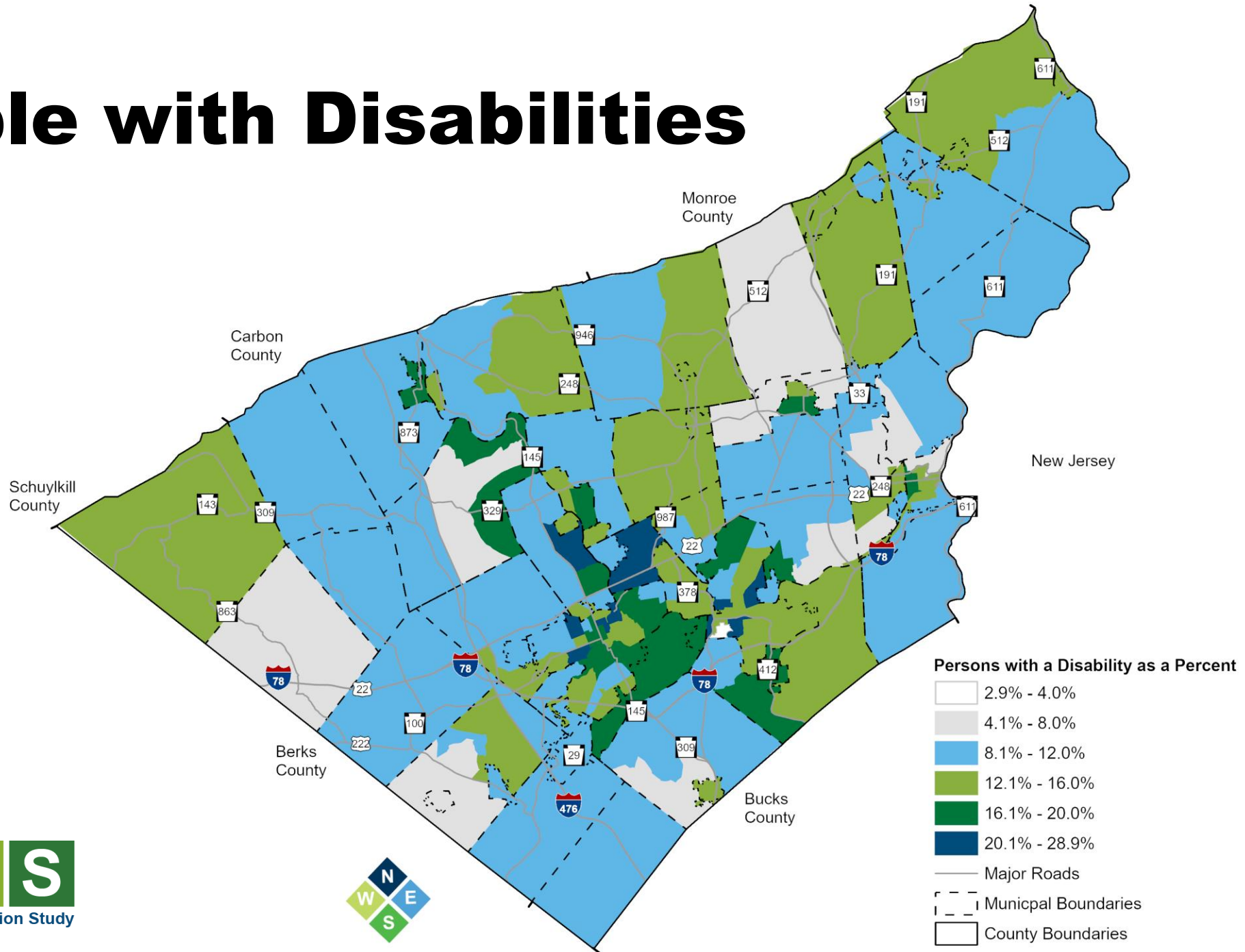


Age 65+ - Takeaways

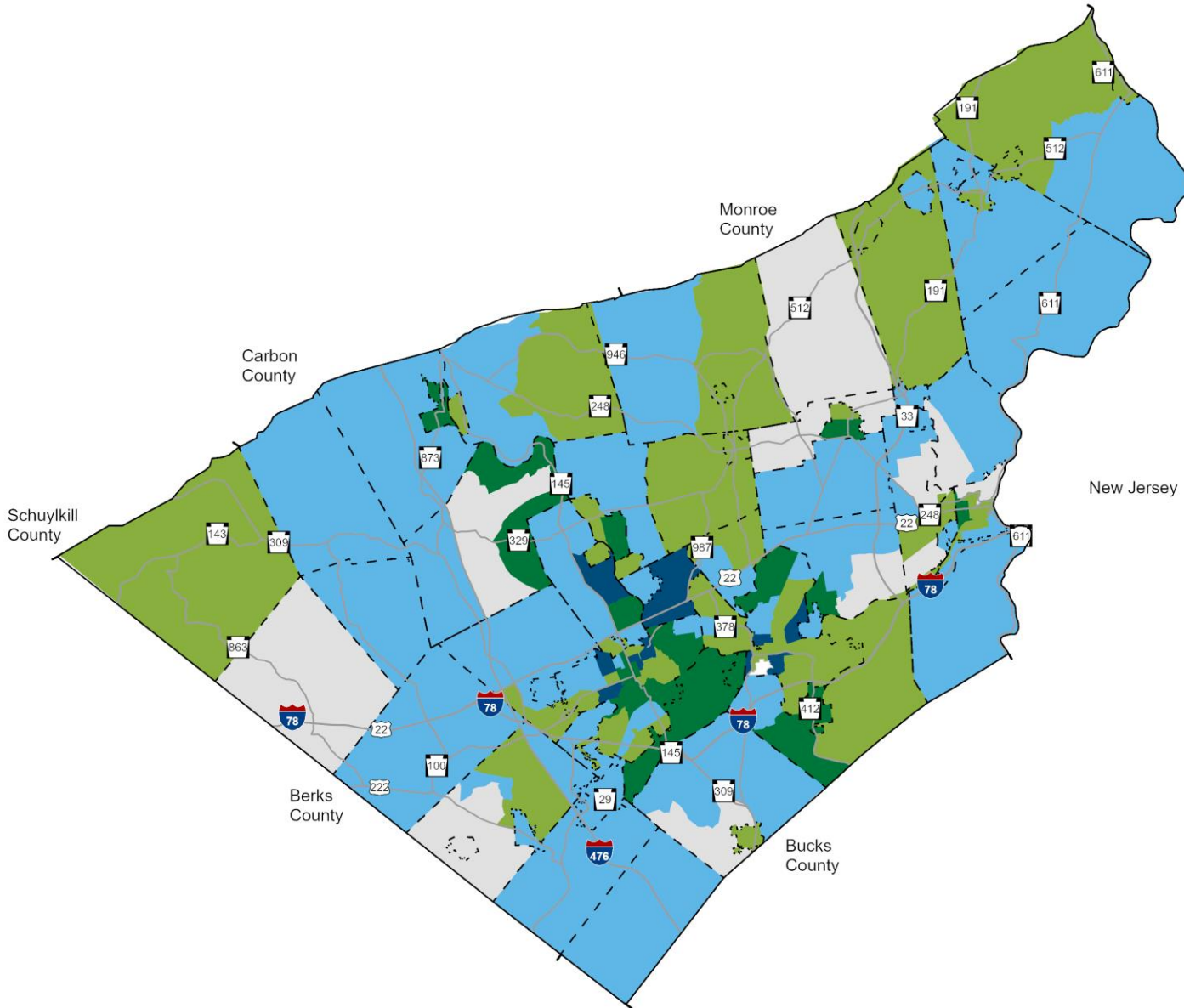


- **The densely-populated cities have the lowest percentage of population aged 65 or above**
- **Highest concentrations of those 65+ live in suburban areas adjacent to cities**
- **The majority of census tracts have a mix of ages**

People with Disabilities

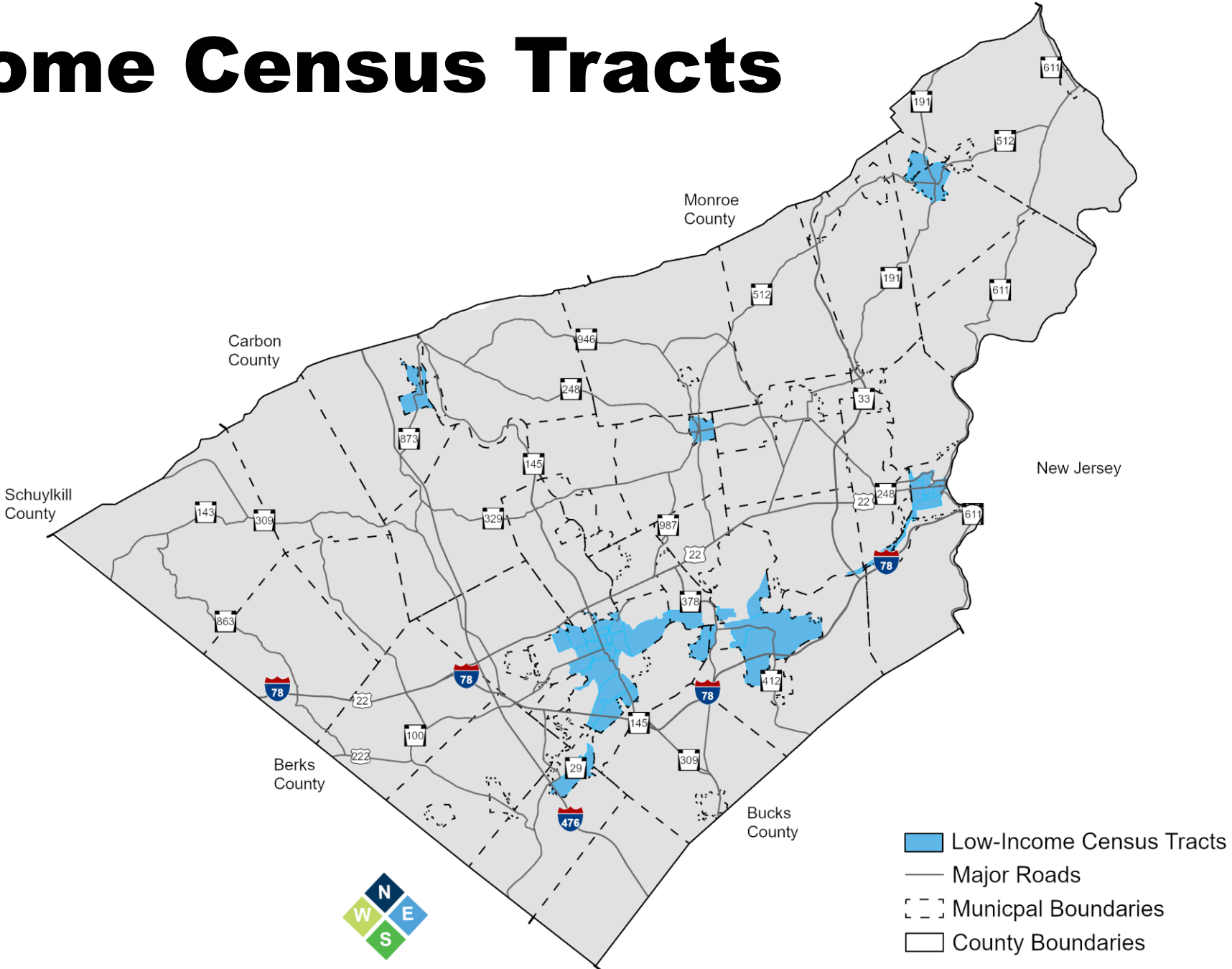


People with Disabilities - Takeaways

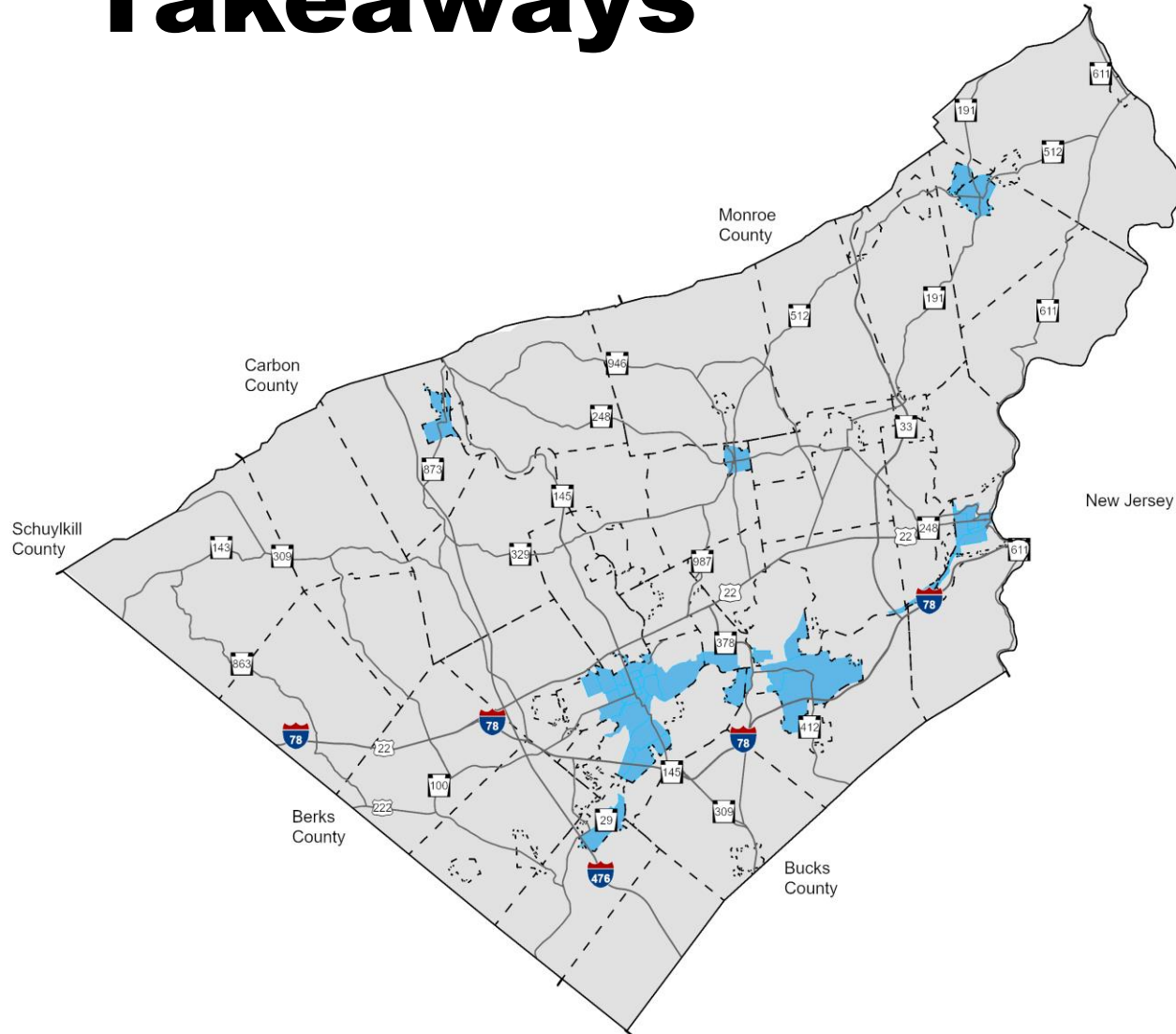


- **People with Disabilities live in every corner of the region and are not exclusively located in our largest cities.**
- **Portions of Whitehall Township and Hanover Township (LECO) have among the highest percentages of people with disabilities.**

Low-Income Census Tracts

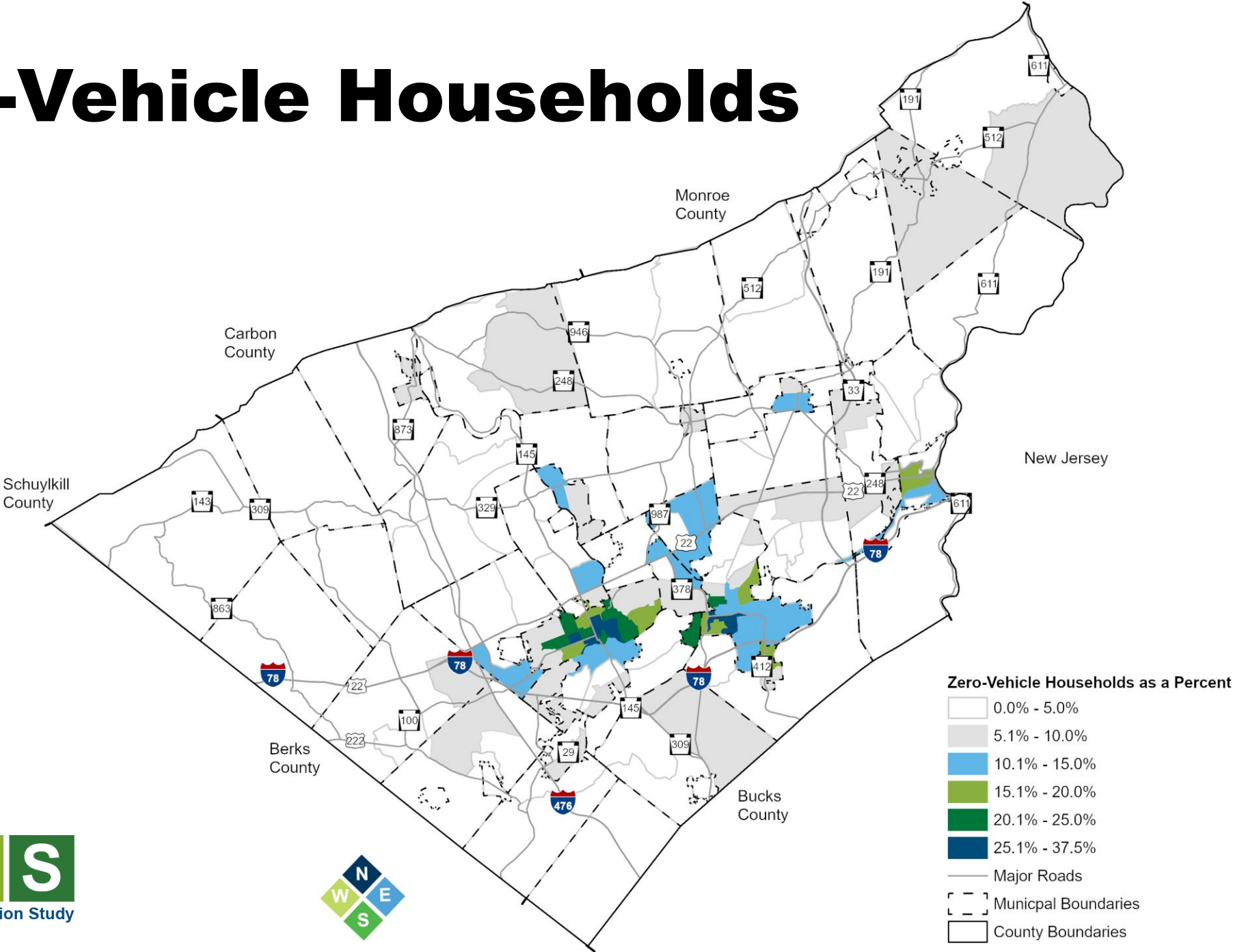


Low Income Census Tracts - Takeaways

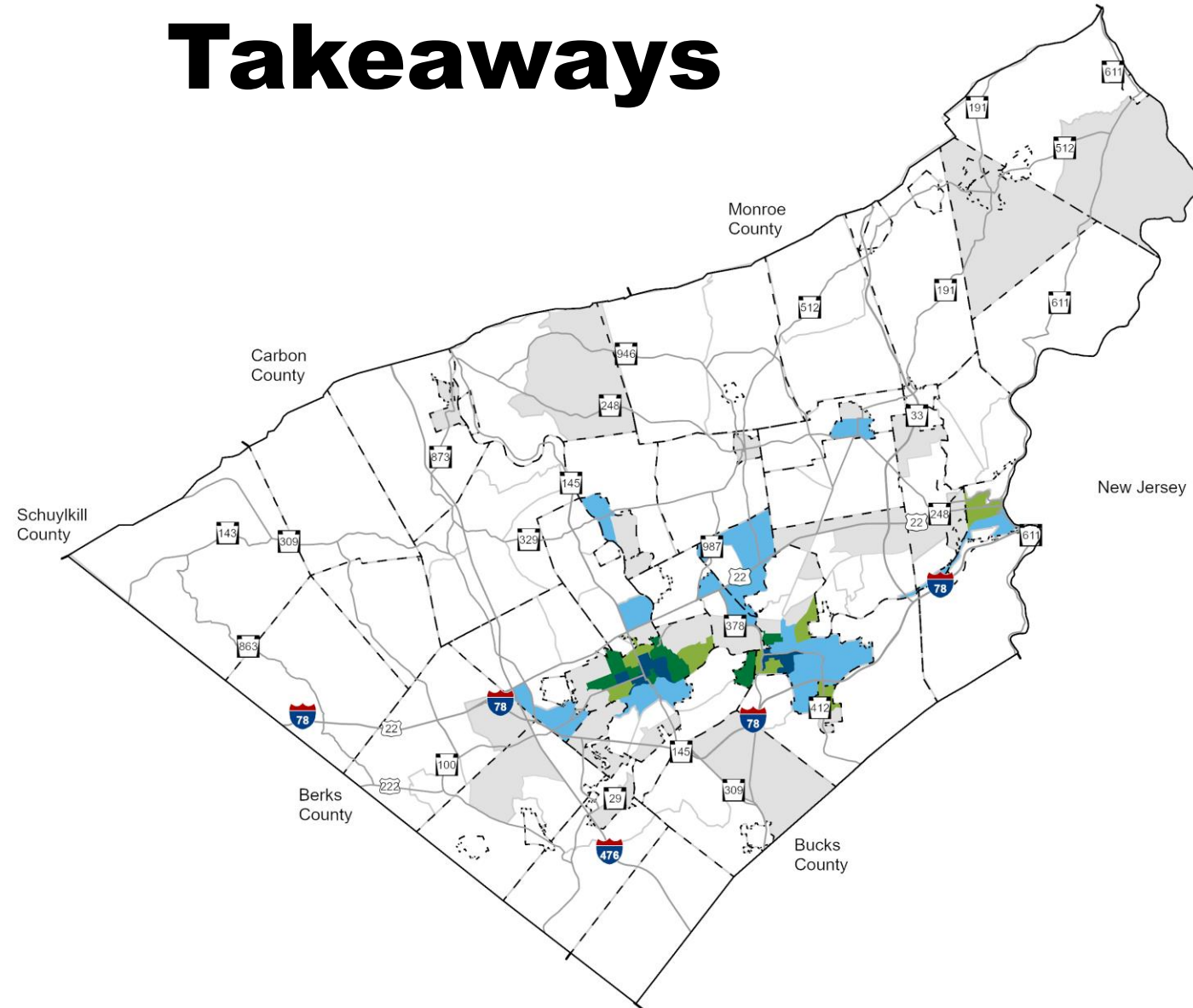


- **Low-income people live throughout the valley and are not exclusively located in our largest cities.**
- **Outlying boroughs like Bangor, Roseto, Bath, and Slatington, all have a higher percentage of low-income residents**

Zero-Vehicle Households

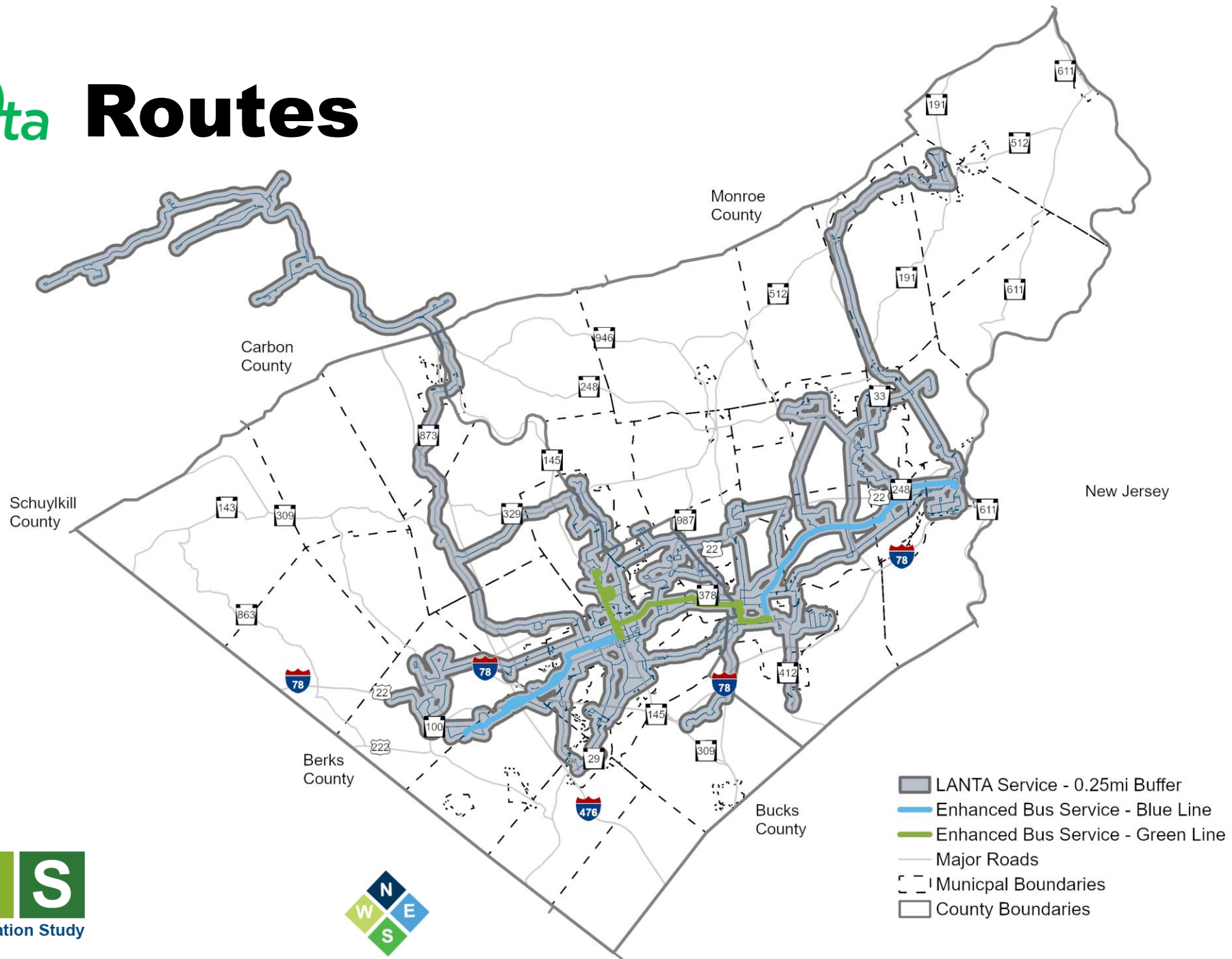


Zero-Vehicle Households - Takeaways



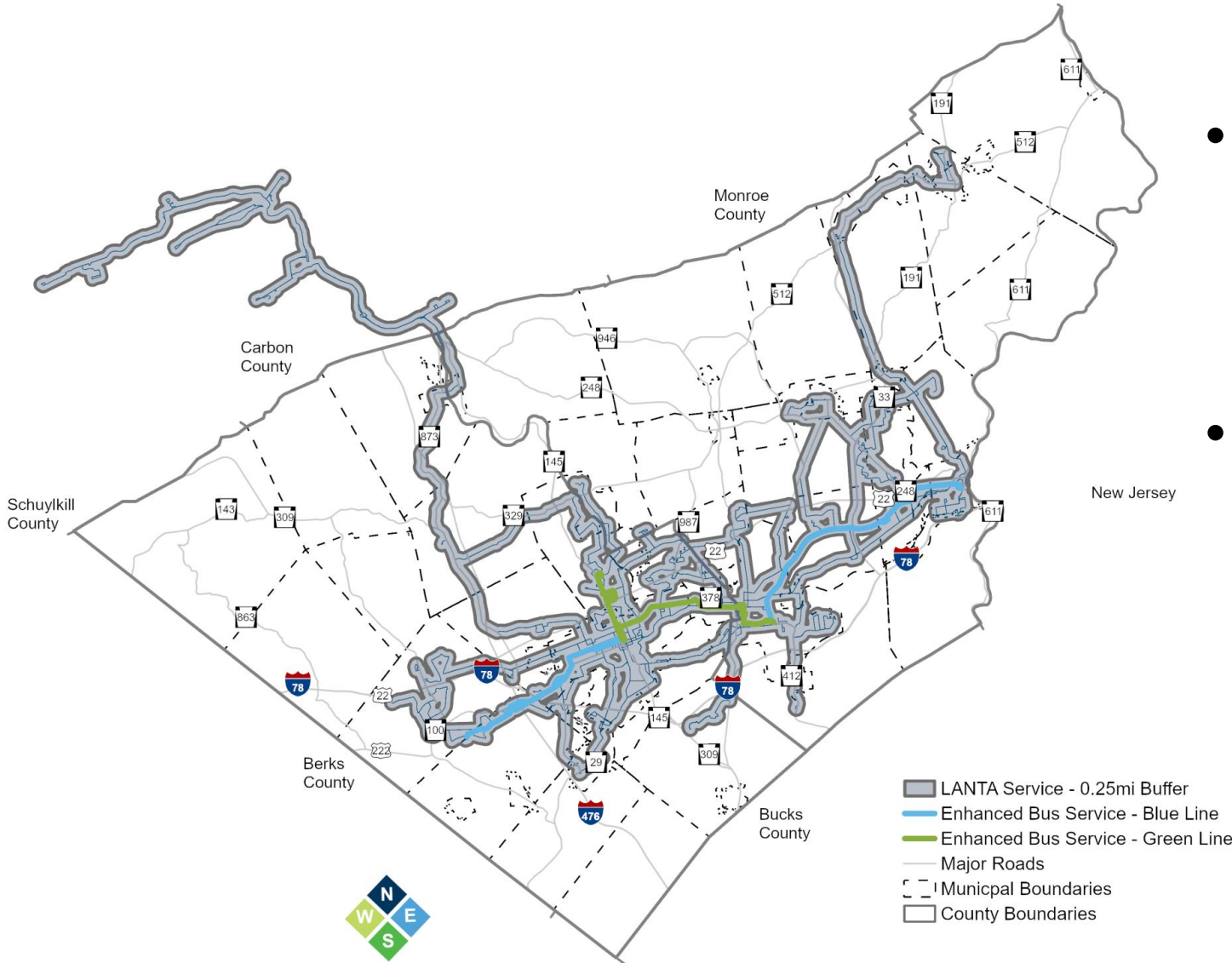
- **Car-free households are predominantly located in the region's cities.**
- **Portions of Nazareth, Whitehall Twp, and Hanover Twp (NORCO) are all over 10% zero-car households.**

LAN'ta Routes



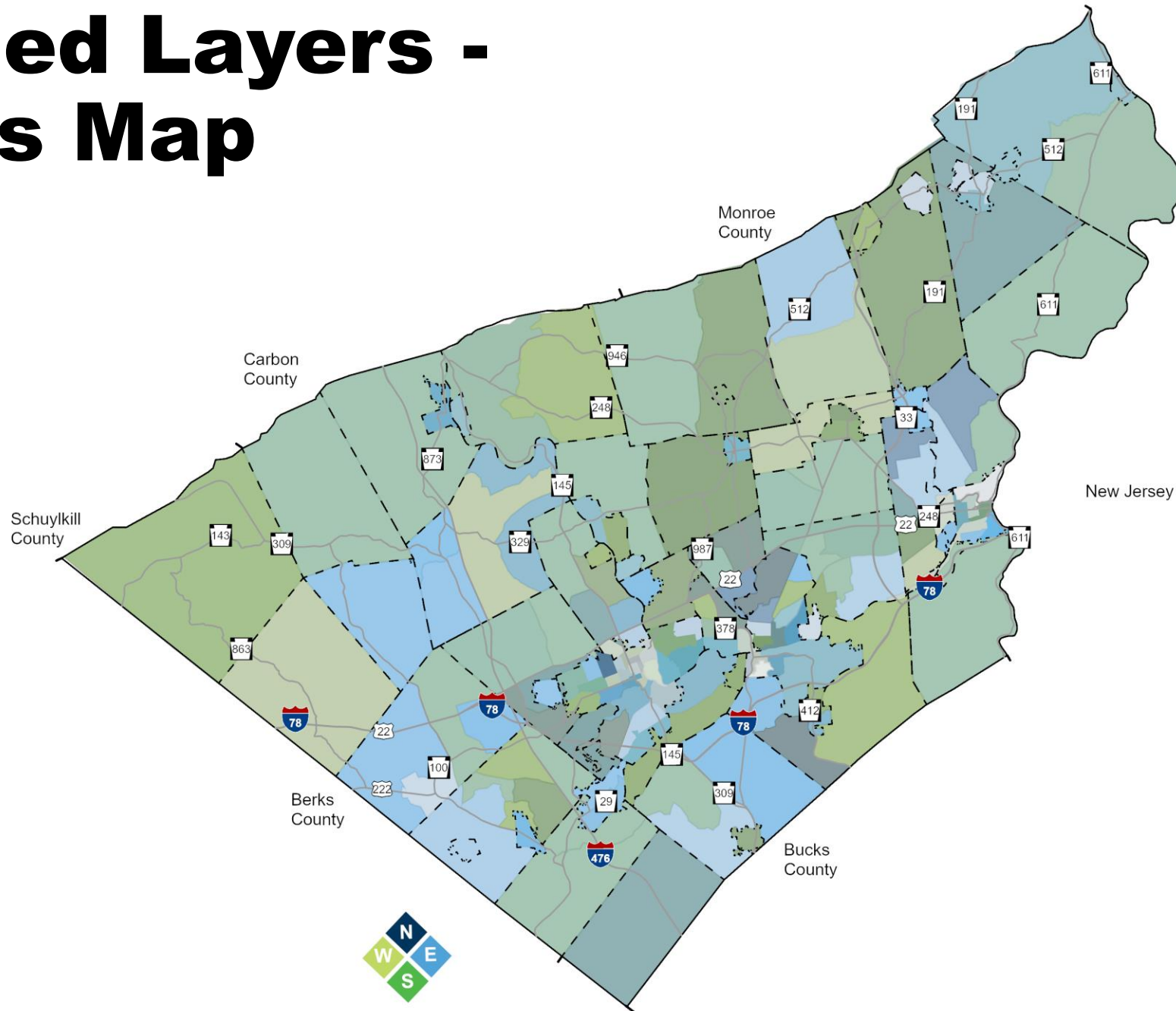


Routes - Takeaways

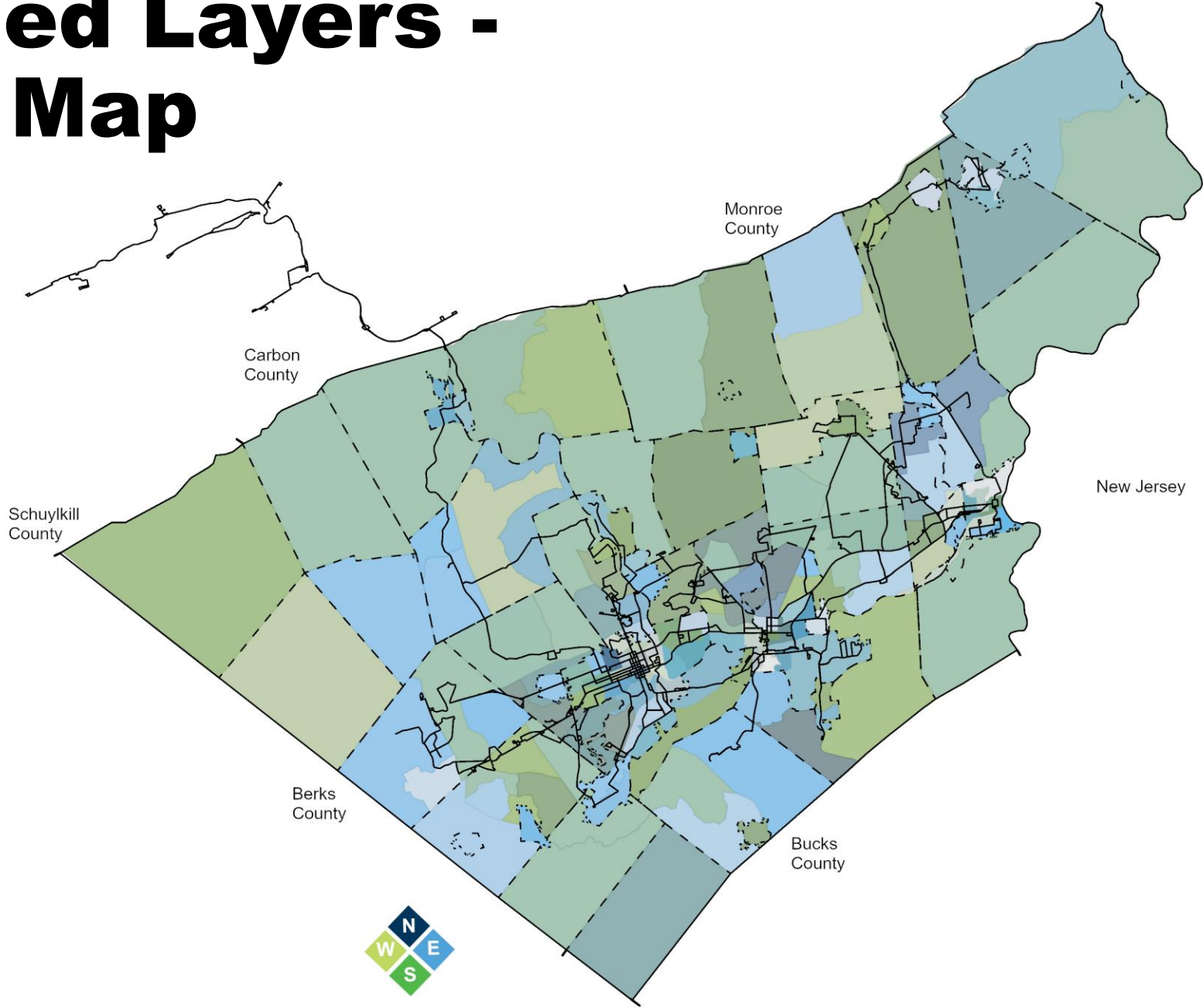


- **LANTA has extensive fixed-route coverage over the urbanized areas of the valley**
- **Fixed Routes roughly align with population and employment density**

Combined Layers - Analysis Map



Combined Layers - Transit Map



Map Overview - Takeaways

- **The Lehigh Valley is a diverse region with many different needs**
- **Age and Ability aren't confined to one area of the region**
- **Transit-Dependent Households aren't exclusively in the cities**

Section 5310 Funding

- **PennDOT Manages All Section 5310 Funding in Pennsylvania**
- **Agencies are eligible to apply to PennDOT for Section 5310 funding**
- **Eligible Subrecipients:**
 - **Local Government Authority**
 - **Non-Profit**
 - **Public Transit Operator**

Eligible Uses of Section 5310 Funds

- **Vehicle Replacement**
- **Fleet Expansion**
- **Establishing a New Service**

Typically PennDOT Opens applications in July

Selection Criteria

- **Project Need and Justification**
- **Positive Mobility Improvements**
- **Local and Regional Coordination**
- **Technical and Maintenance Capability to Provide Transportation**
- **Organizational, Financial, and Grant Administration Capacity**
- **20% Fund Match Required**

Identified Needs from 2018

- **Capital**
 - **New & Replacement Vehicles**
 - **Shelters & Sidewalks**
- **Operations**
 - **Additional Services**
- **Accessibility & Mobility**
 - **Drivers & Dispatchers**
- **Policy & Education**

Open Discussion

- **What are the services provided by your organization?**
- **What are the challenges or issues your organization faces regarding transportation for seniors and people with disabilities?**
- **What are some opportunities for improving transportation services for seniors and people with disabilities?**



Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan Timeline

March-July 2024
Data Updates,
Project Organization



July-August 2024
LVTS
Kick-Off

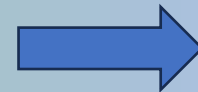


September 11th
Community
WorkshopLV #1
+ LVTS Meeting

October 16th
Community
WorkshopLV #2 +
Draft Goals, Policies
and Action Discussion
with LVTS



November 13th
Community
WorkshopLV #3
+ Draft Plan
Discussion with
LVTS



December 2024
Anticipated LVTS
Plan Adoption



Thank you for your Input!

Next Workshops:

October 16th 10:30am

November 13th 10:30am

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[Link - lvpc.org/transportation-plans-1](http://lvpc.org/transportation-plans-1)