

SEPTA Forward:

SEPTA Bus Revolution

**Virtual Community
Conversation:**

South Philadelphia

Agenda

- 1 Welcome
- 2 Intro to SEPTA's Bus Revolution
- 3 Draft Bus Network
- 4 Q&A
- 5 Next Steps



Your ride is about to get easier.

See how SEPTA's bus network is changing!



Welcome



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Ice Breaker time!

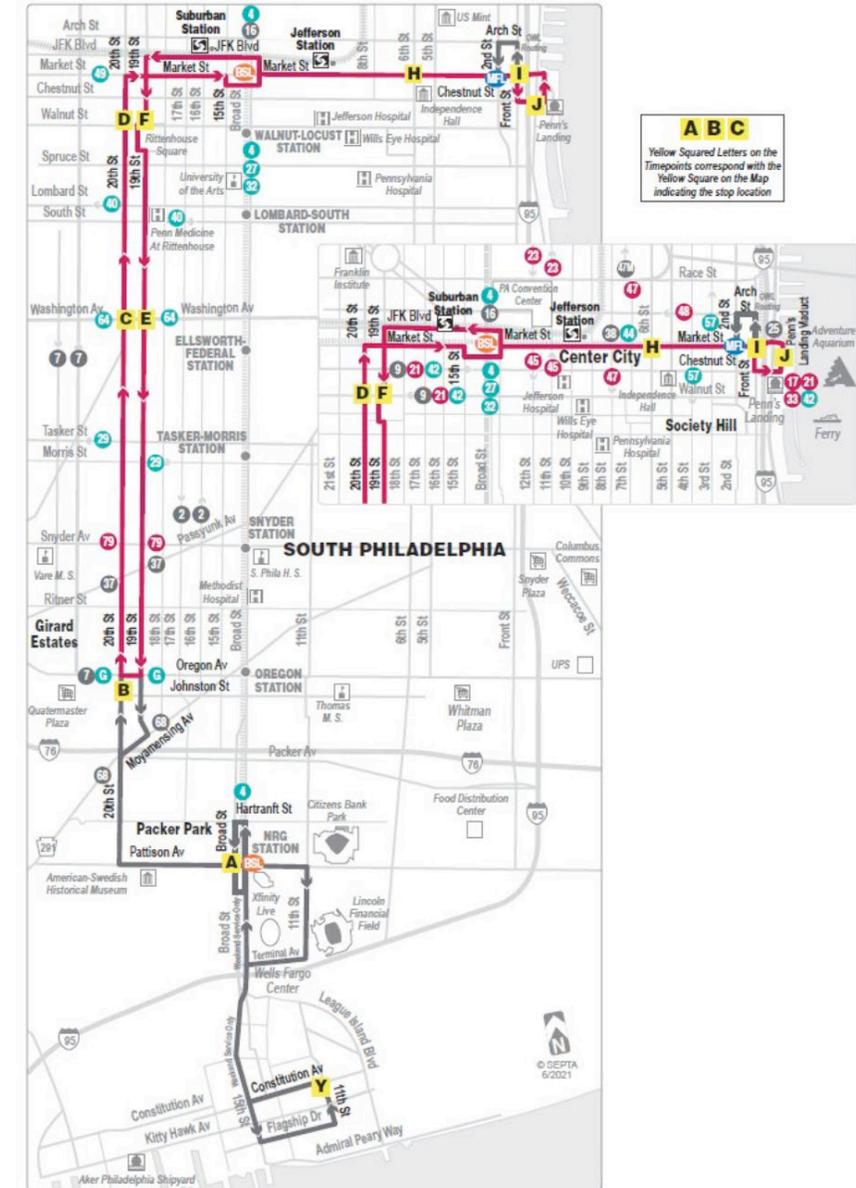
Share in the chat:

Your name and neighborhood

Registration Question:

What bus route(s) do you take most frequently?

- **Most popular:** Route 17 (Front & Market to 20th & Johnston and Broad & Pattison)
- **Also popular:**
 - Route 45 (Broad & Oregon to 12th & Noble)
 - Route 47 (Whitman Plaza to 5th & Godfrey)
 - Route 2 (20th & Johnston to Pulaski & Hunting Park or Wayne Junction)
- **Others:** Routes 4, 7, 57, 64, 21, 40, 42, 12, 79



SEPTA Bus Route 17

Purpose of our Conversation Today

We're here together to:

- Catch you up on the Bus Revolution
- Discuss how Draft Network would affect travel in South Philly
 - Presentation & Interactive Map
 - Q&A – Ask us about your route! (Chat box)

Ground rules:

- Please remain muted to avoid accidental interruptions.
- Post your questions or comments any time into the chat. We will respond to questions after the presentation.
- When posting questions, try to keep them concise, so we can get to as many as possible.

SEPTA's Bus Revolution



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What is Bus Revolution

A stylized diagram of a bus network. It features several colored lines (purple, red, yellow, teal, grey) connecting various nodes (circles and stars) in a networked pattern. The nodes are scattered across the diagram, with some lines being straight and others slightly curved.

**“Blank Slate”
redesign of
SEPTA’s fixed-
route bus
network**

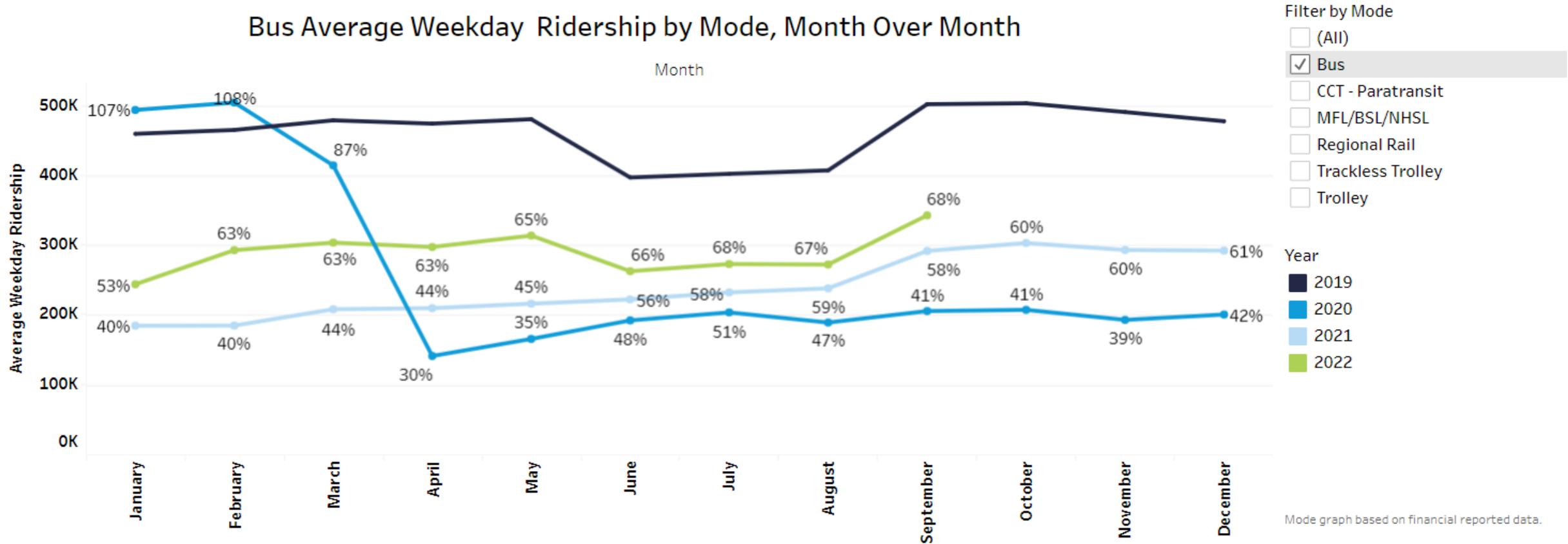


Why Now?

- SEPTA Forward emphasizes a more fully integrated network
- SEPTA has never looked at its network comprehensively before
- Elimination of transfer penalty in 2020 offers opportunity to rethink how people can use the system and how SEPTA can allocate resources
- Between 2013 & 2019 – ridership dropped 13% but operating costs went up 10% while service got slower and less reliable

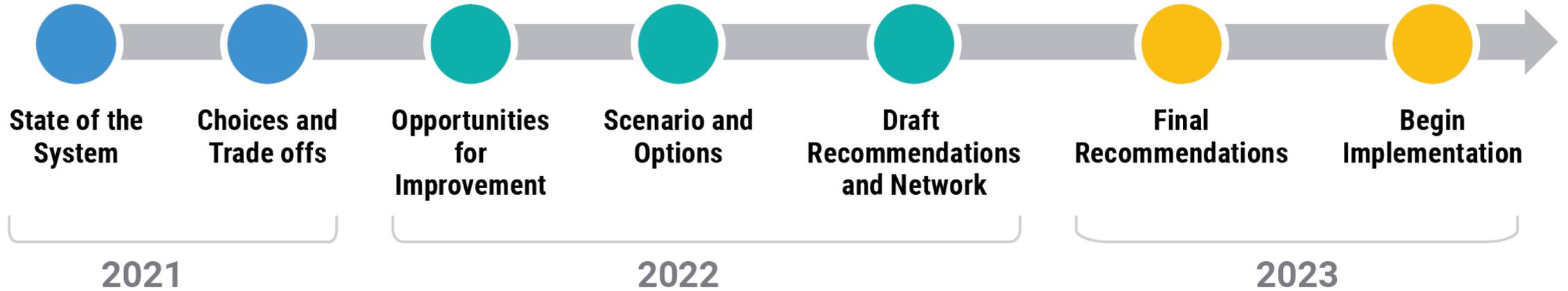


Bus Ridership During Covid

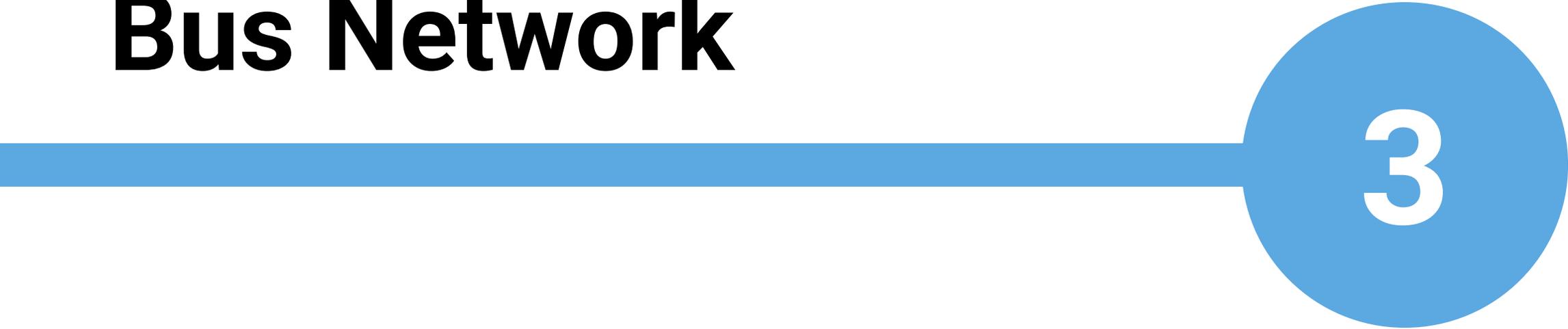


Project Approach

We are here



Introducing the Draft Bus Network

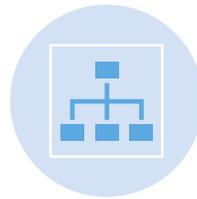
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Key Takeaways from Earlier Phases



Duplication in the system makes it confusing and prevents expansion of frequent service



Many routes have complex routings, excessive patterns, and inconsistent schedules



Too much emphasis on peak hour commute trips into Center City



Some areas are overserved based on demand

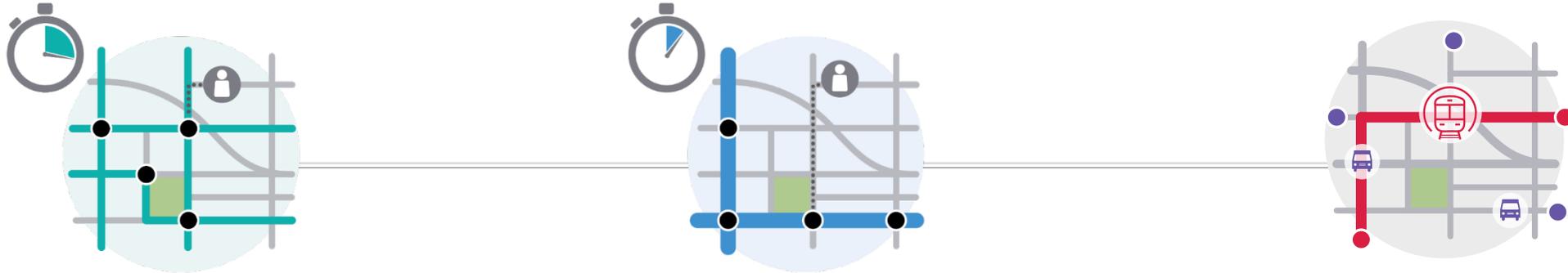


Service is slow and unreliable



Riders prioritize frequency, reliability, and access (not having to walk too far)

SEPTA's Draft Bus Network: Strategic Approach



- **More frequent bus service** - all day, every day

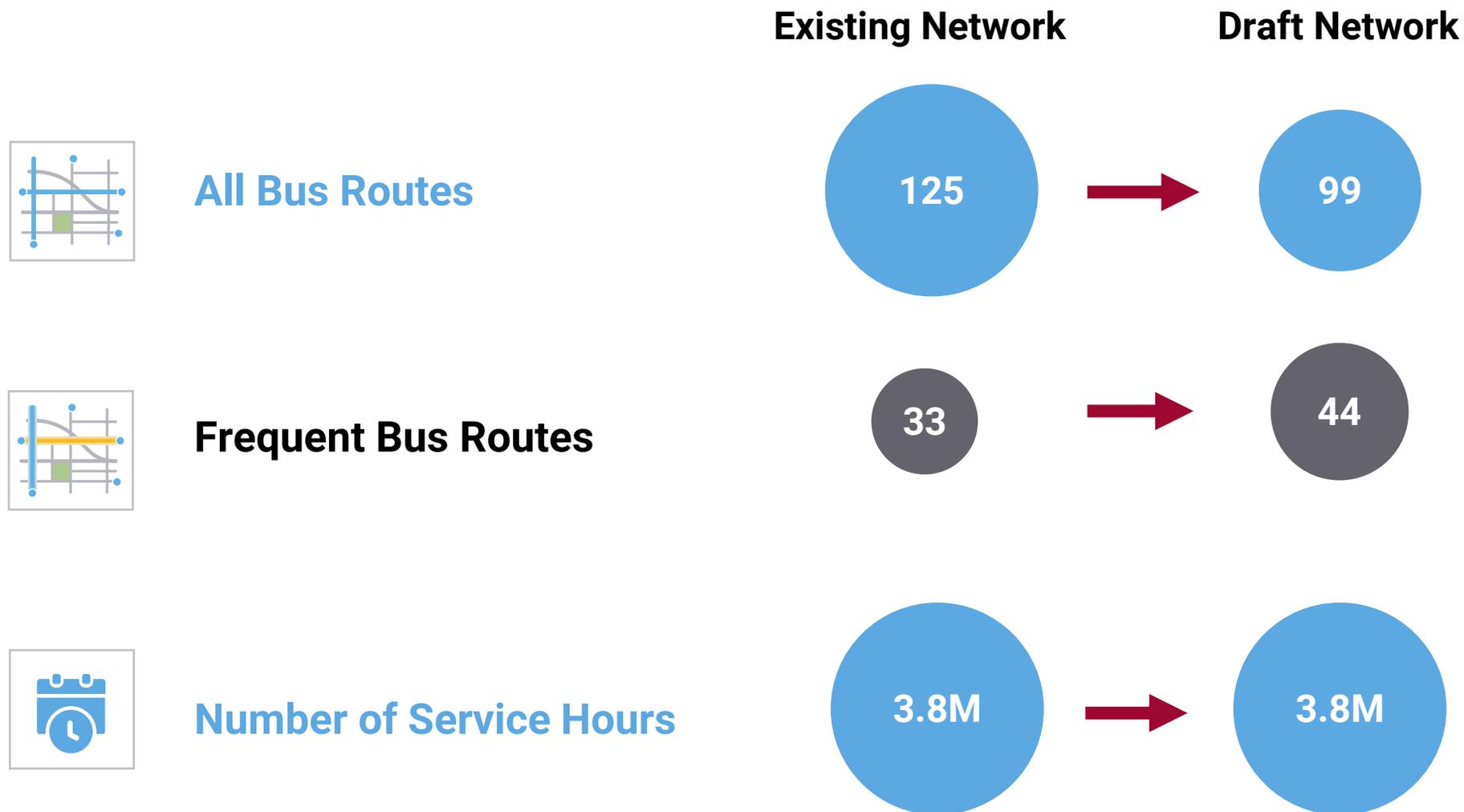
- **More consistent schedules**

- Straighter, more **direct bus routes**

- **Better connections** to other SEPTA services

- Retain **some coverage service** where demand dictates

Bus Revolution Draft Network



Draft Bus Network

Includes:

Overall fewer routes

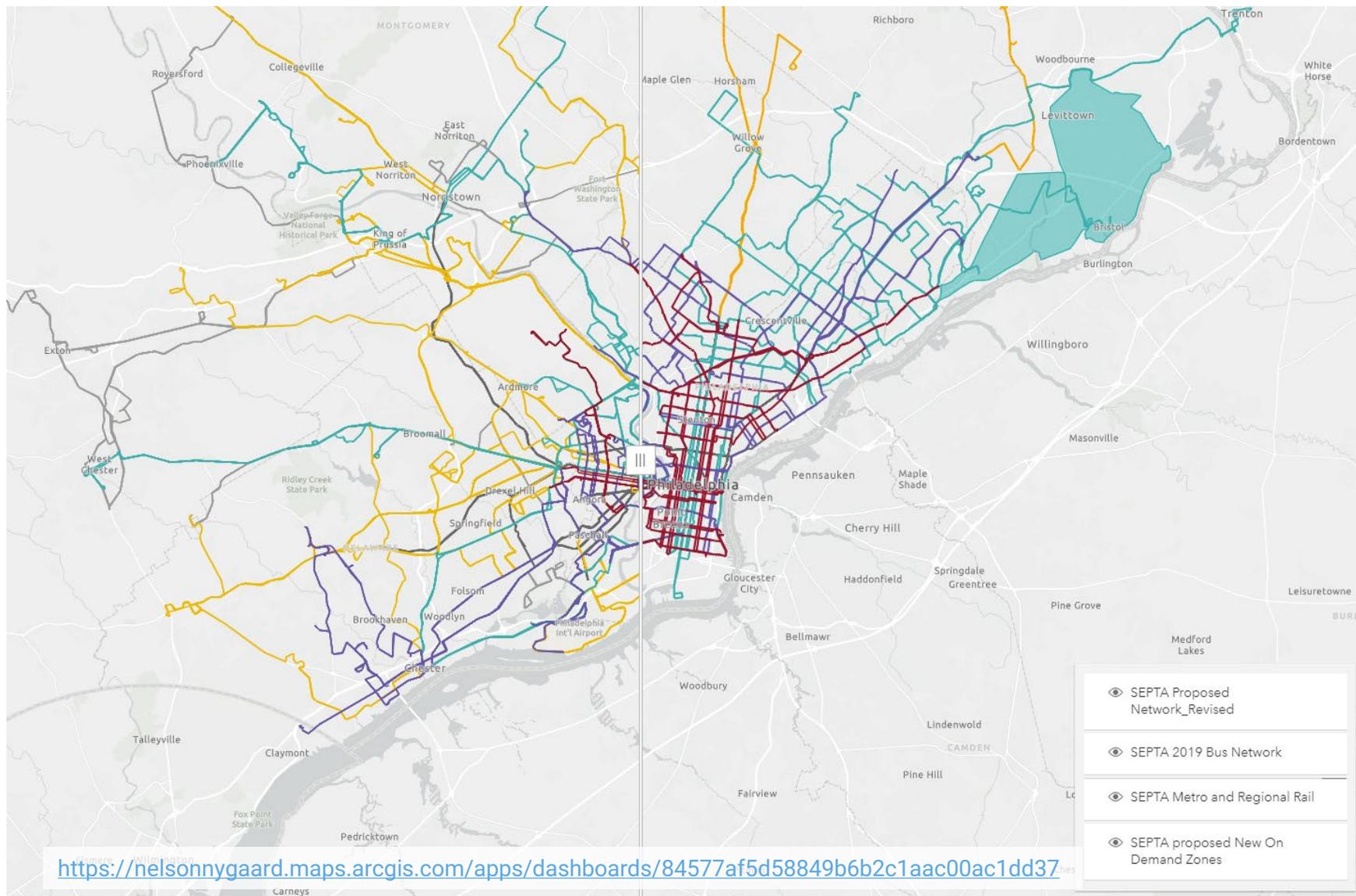
Straighter lines

More red & green routes

Fewer gold routes

Looks more like a grid

On-demand transit zones



Understanding the MAX Series

- The Bus Revolution uses the “MAX series” to talk about bus routes.
- MAX means the maximum time between buses. For example, a 10 MAX route will arrive at least every 10 minutes.
- All bus routes are described as:
 - 10 MAX
 - 15 MAX
 - 30 MAX
 - 60 MAX

} **Frequent Bus Service**

	10 MAX		Metro
	15 MAX		Trolley
	30 MAX		Regional Rail
	60 MAX		Microtransit Zone

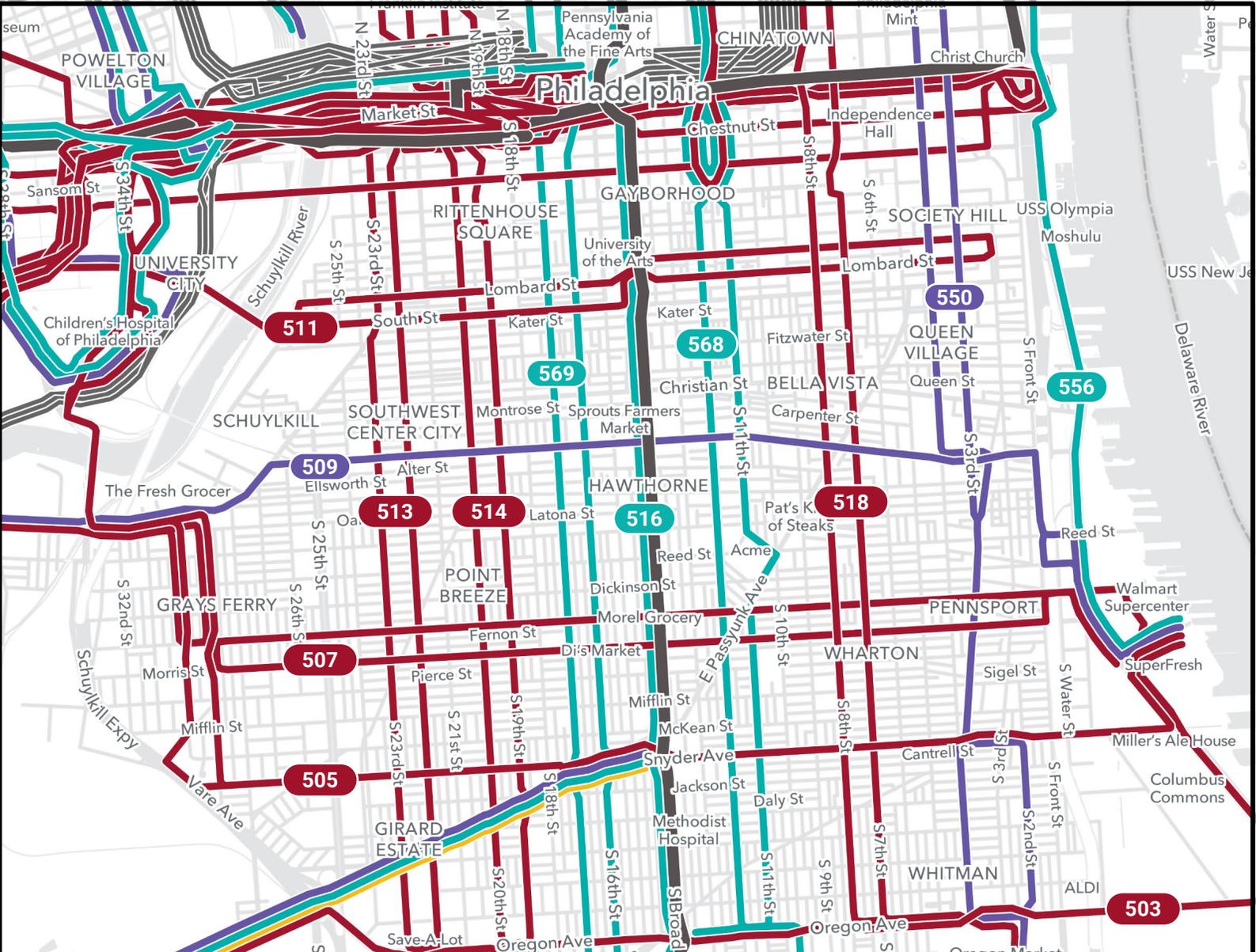
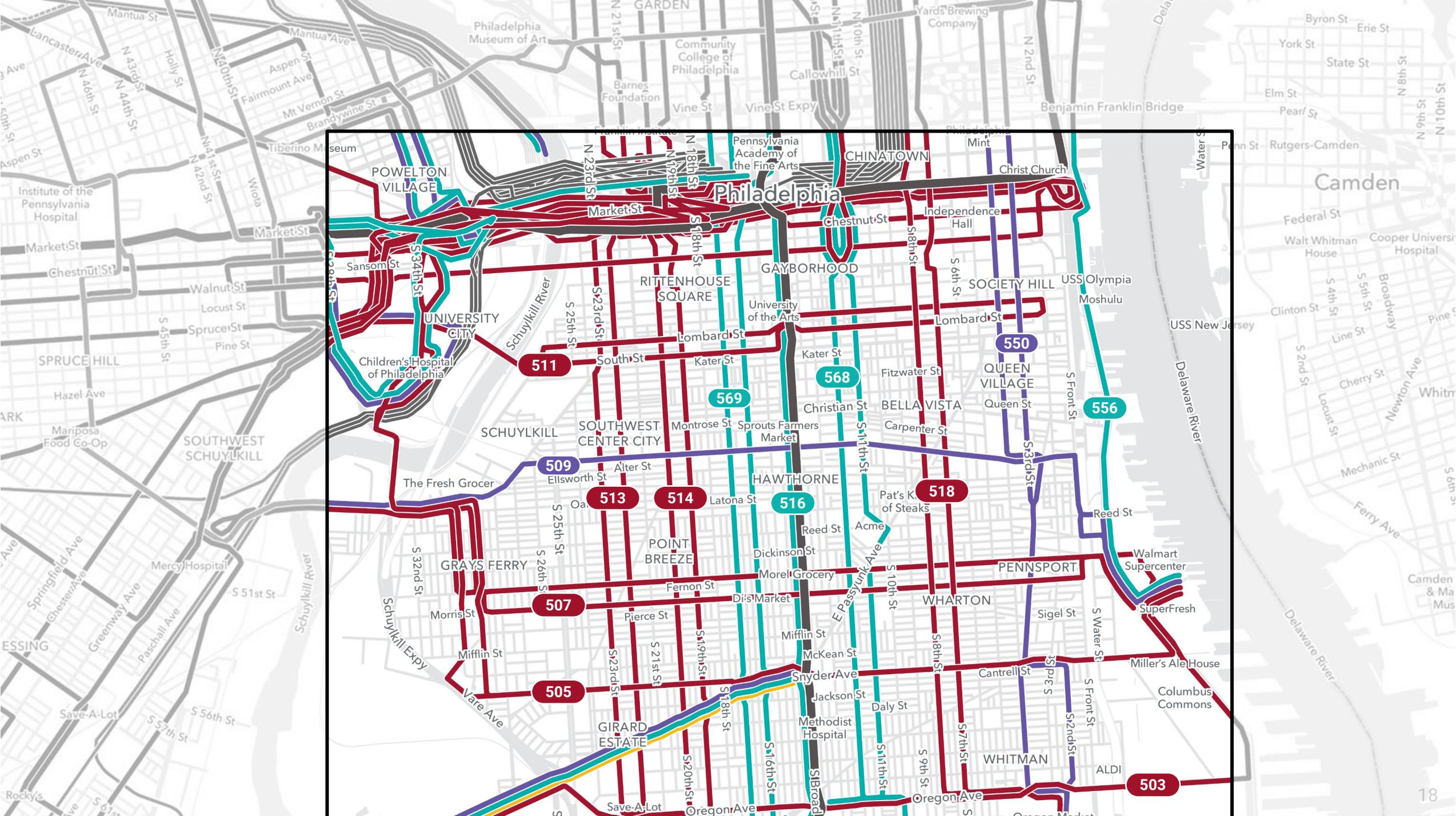
Bus Revolution defines a “frequent” bus route as one that **operates every 15 minutes or better.**



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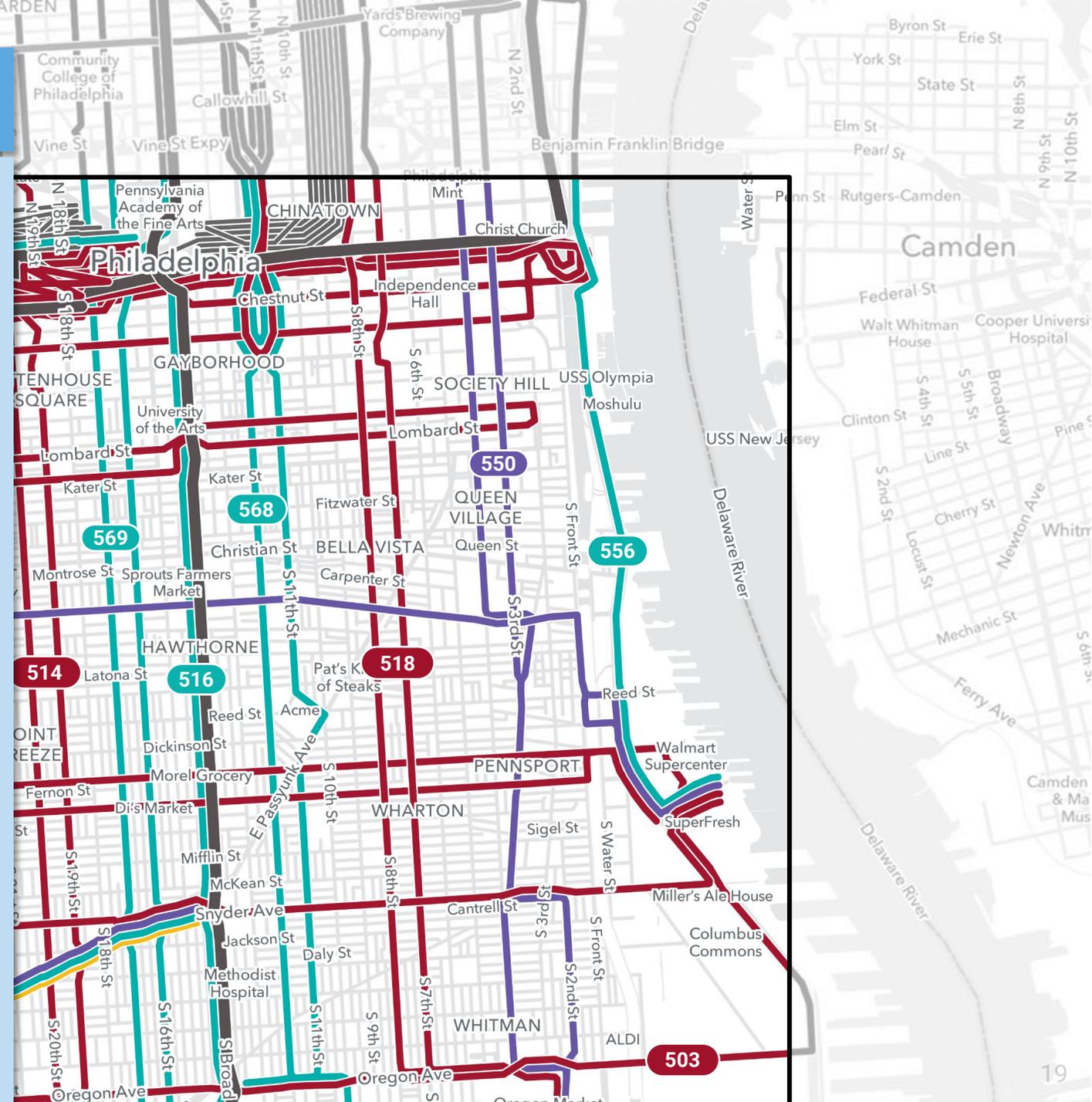
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Highlights

- Most routes have all-day frequent service, 7 days/week
- Consistent schedules throughout the day
- Simplified and straighter alignments
- New connections to West Philadelphia:
 - 10 MAX 507 (Tasker / Morris)
 - 10 MAX 505 (Snyder)
 - 10 MAX 503 (Oregon)

Routes We'll Focus On

- 503 (7,G)
- 505 (49, 79)
- 507 (29)
- 509 (64)
- 511 (40, 42)
- 513 (7)
- 517 (17, 33)
- 569 (2)
- 516 (4, 16)
- 568 (45)
- 518 (47, 47M)
- 550 (57)



Learn More



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How to Learn More

1. Talk to us at an open house
2. Participate in a virtual meeting
3. Visit the website
4. Invite the Bus Revolution team to one of your meetings



Tell us what you think.



**See What Other Updates
We're Proposing**



**Attend a Community
Open House**



**Join an Upcoming
Online Meeting**

Talk to Us at an Open House

Date	Location
10/18 Tue	Montgomery-Norristown Public Library
10/19 Wed	Phoenixville Rec Center
10/20 Thu	American Legion #366 (Fox Chase)
10/25 Tue	Vogt Recreation Center
10/26 Wed	Cliveden Carriage House
10/28 Fri	Finnegan Rec Center
11/3 Thu	Peak Center - North Penn Commons
11/3 Thu	Chester City Hall
11/5 Sat	East Passyunk Community Center
11/9 Wed	Lucien Blackwell Community Center

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11/10 Thu	Bucks County Community College (Bristol)
11/10 Thu	Kingsessing Rec Center
11/12 Sat	Upper Darby Free Library Municipal Branch
11/15 Tue	Lower Merion Administration Building
11/16 Wed	Indian Valley Public Library
11/16 Wed	The Liacouras Center, Temple University
11/30 Wed	Esperanza Arts Center
12/1 Thu	Greater Olney Library
12/5 Mon	West Chester Borough Hall
12/6 Tue	Roxborough Memorial Hospital
12/8 Thu	SEPTA, 1234 Market St.

Check for updates at septabusrevolution.com

Participate in a Virtual Community Conversation

Date and Time	Time	Focus Area
Monday, October 17	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Chester & Delaware Counties
Monday, October 24	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Northeast Philadelphia
Monday, November 7	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Northwest Philadelphia
Monday, November 14	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	South Philadelphia
Monday, November 21	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Bucks & Montgomery Counties
Monday, November 28	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	West Philadelphia
Monday, December 5	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	North Philadelphia
Monday, December 12	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Center City

Register at septabusrevolution.com

Visit our website



SYSTEM MAP

The SEPTA system map shows all routes color coded by frequency. View the map online or pick up a printed version.



INDIVIDUAL ROUTES

Look up your bus route to see if it's changed. These information sheets show any proposed changes to each specific route, frequency, or schedule.



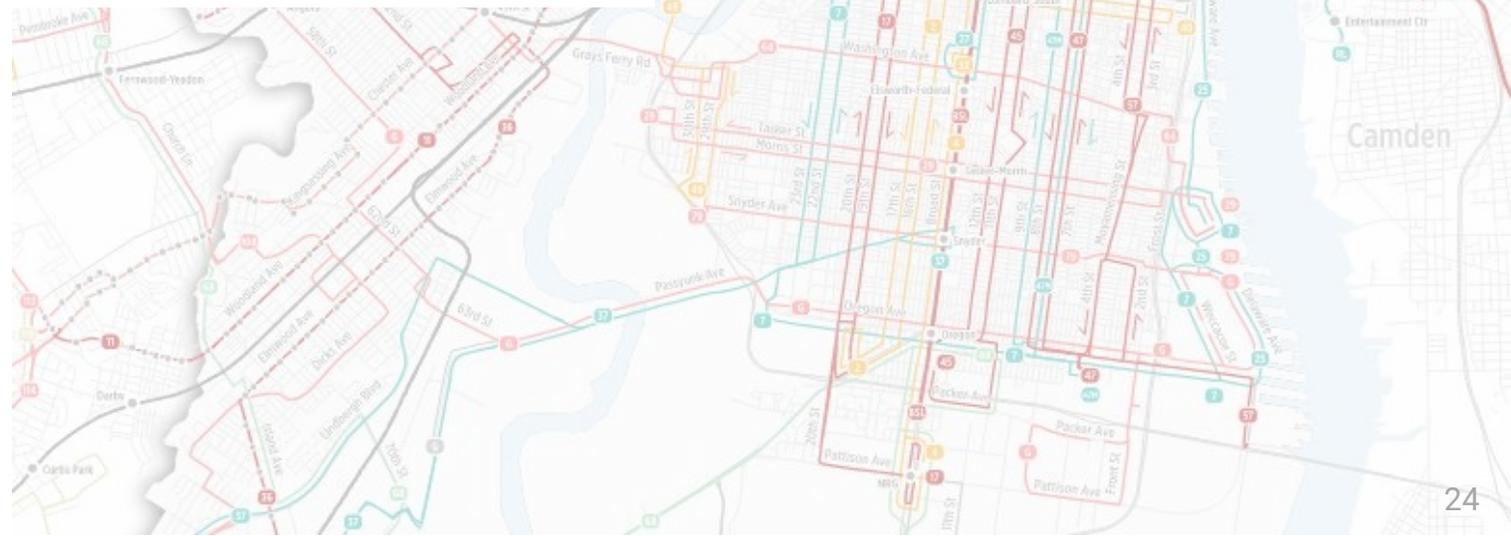
TRANSIT

Compare your current trip with the proposed network in the Transit App.



WEBSITE

Visit **our website** for all this information and more! You'll find more information about the proposed changes and how to give feedback.

A graphic consisting of several colored lines (yellow, red, blue, green) with small circles at the ends, resembling a network or map.

Bus Revolution

Your ride is
about to get
more reliable.



Find out what we're proposing.

