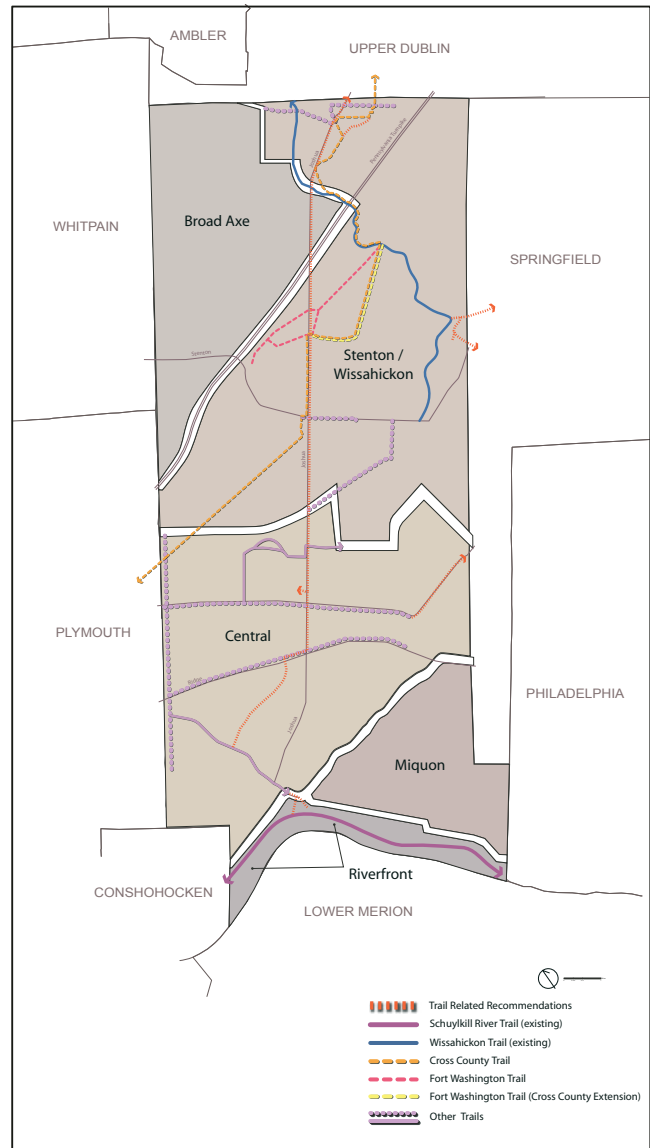


CHAPTER 3 · COMMUNITY BACKGROUND

Silt Basin Trail · The Silt Basin Trail is proposed for the Central District. It will follow the Spring Mill Creek Corridor from the south side of Ridge Pike, south, through Kline Park and connecting to a proposed on-street sidewalk/pathway along Cedar Grove Road. When completed, this trail will provide connections between two on-street sidewalks/pathways and Kline and Cedar Grove Parks. It will also serve as an alternative route to a portion of the on-street sidewalk/pathways proposed along the length of Joshua Road.

On-Street Sidewalk/Pathways · The 2003 Comprehensive Plan Trail System Map shows a number of trails running along roadways. The use of on-street bicycle routes is an integral part of the proposed trail system in the Open Space Plan. Roadways, when designed properly, can provide ample space for bicyclists. Several key on-road, or parallel-to-roadway, routes have been identified in this plan. These include Germantown and Ridge Pikes in the Central District, and Joshua Road, which traverses all five districts within the Township. The Joshua Road route also connects to several existing or pending routes including the Wissahickon Trail, the Cross County Trail, a proposed trail through Kline Park and the existing pathway along Cedar Grove Road. With the completion of a missing segment in the Riverfront District, a continuous trail could be created which would extend through most of the Township, including the core of the Central District to the Schuylkill River.

Map #15 Proposed Trails by District



The proposed Joshua Road route would connect the Central District with existing trails and open space resources throughout the Township and the region