

Rural Policy SUMMIT



Local Services and Collaborative Efforts November 10, 2021

Introductory Remarks: Local Services Data

Local Services Available in Rural Pennsylvania



56%
Rural Pennsylvanians have
access to public water¹



66%
Rural Pennsylvanians live in a
municipality with State Police
service only²



37,672
Miles of municipal roadways
in rural Pennsylvania³



1,026
Rural fire companies⁴



54,797
Acres of local parkland in
rural Pennsylvania⁵



2,267
Internet computers for public
use in rural libraries⁶

1. Data are estimates. Data source: Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (2021). 2. Governor's Center for Local Government Services (2021). 3. Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (2021). 4. Pennsylvania Fire Commissioner's Office (2021). 5. Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (2015). 6. Pennsylvania Department of Education (2019).



Avg. Municipal Revenues, 2019

- \$957,300, Rural
- \$10.5 Million, Urban



Number of Full-Time Municipal Employees per Capita, 2021

- 1.8 per 1,000 Rural Residents
- 5.8 per 1,000 Urban Residents



% Municipalities with Managers, 2021

- 10% Rural
- 65% Urban



Municipal Taxes Collected per Capita, 2019

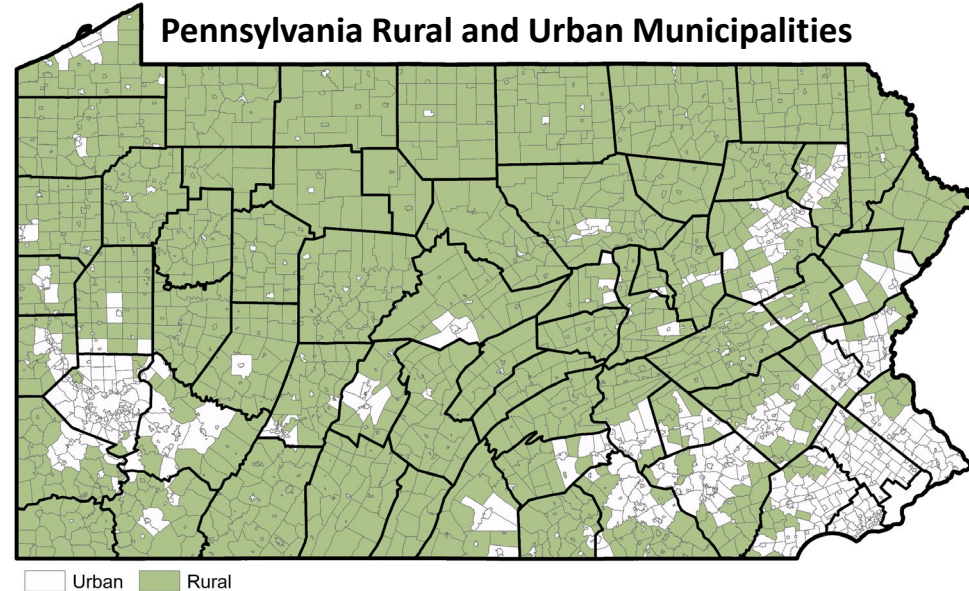
- \$235 Rural
- \$483 Urban



Streets and Highway Expenditures as % Total Expenditures

- 42% Rural
- 8% Urban

Snapshot of Rural and Urban Municipalities

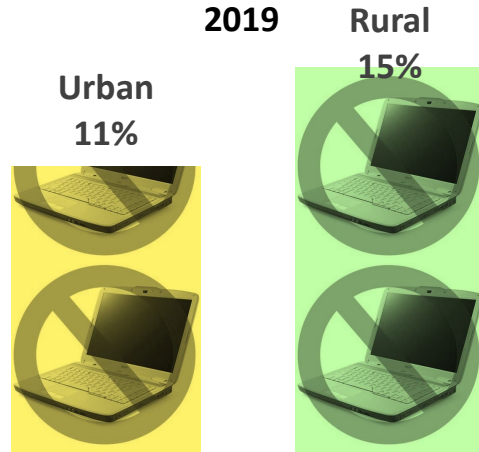


	Rural Mun.	Urban Mun.
Cities (All Classes)	2	91
Boroughs/Town	419	538
Twp. 1 st Class	1	91
Twp. 2 nd Class	1,168	287
Total	1,590	970

Data source: Governor's Center for Local Government Services.

More than 1 in 7 Rural PA Households Do Not Have Internet Access

Percent of Rural and Urban Households With No Internet Access, 2019



Characteristics of Householders that Do Not Have Internet Access in Rural Pennsylvania, 2019

68.0 Avg. Age of Householder

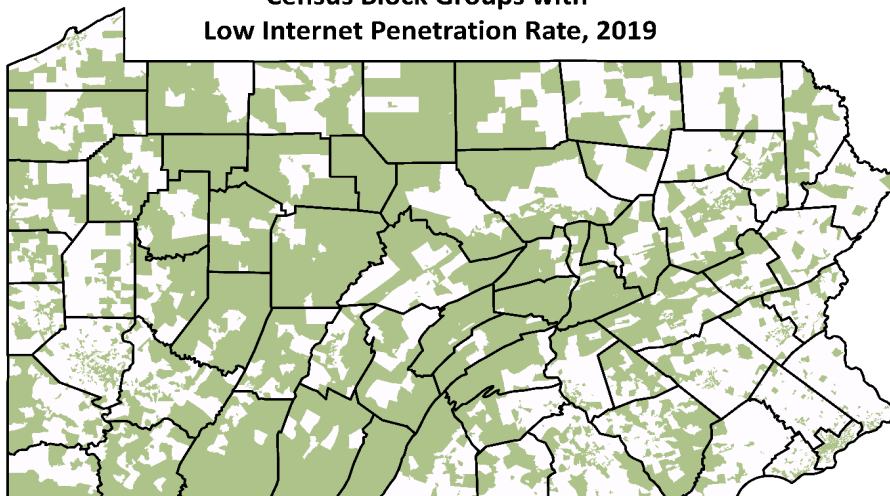
\$26,264 Median Household Income

10% Households Have Children

35% Householders Rent Their Home

61% Householders Live Alone

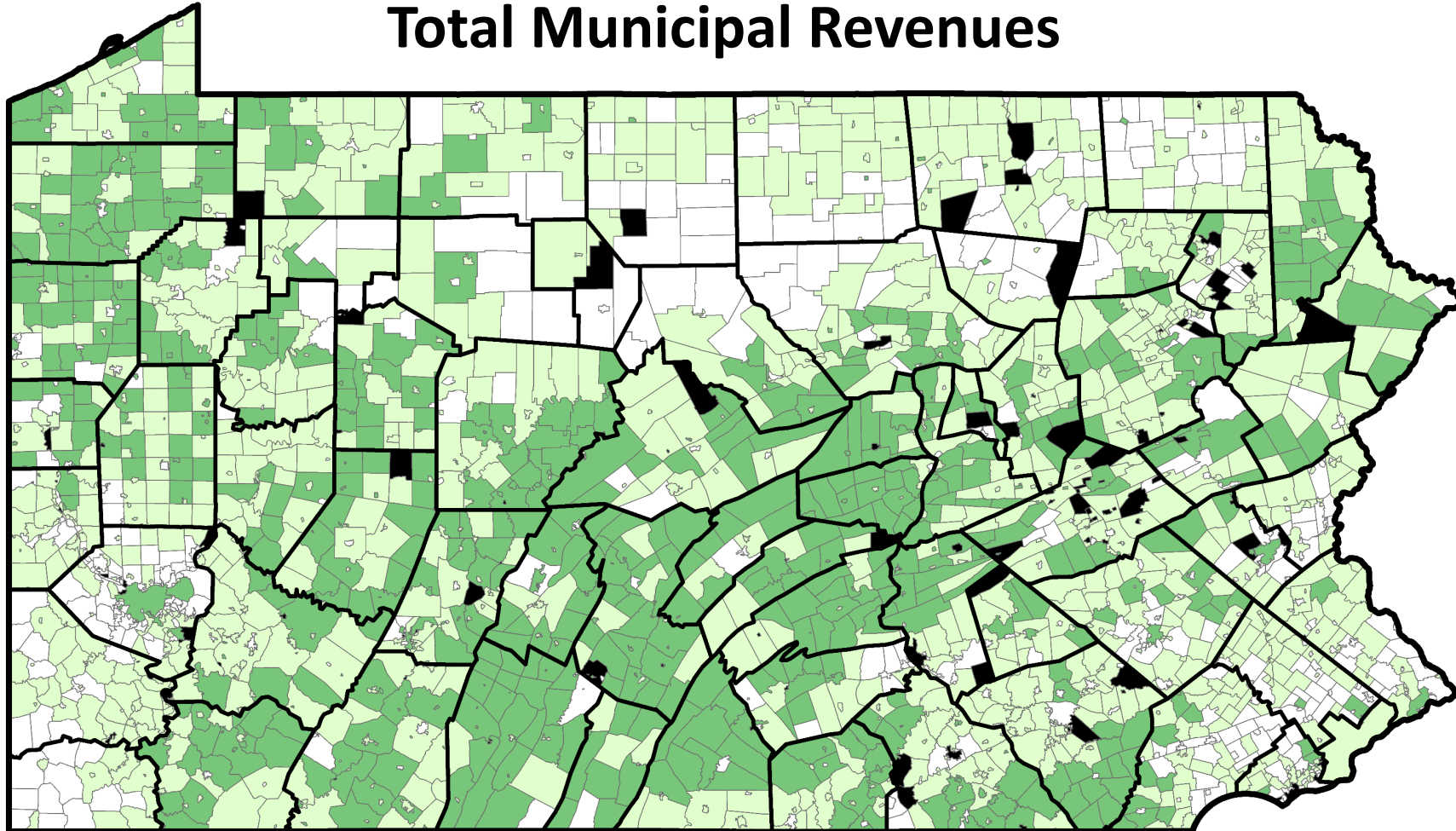
Census Block Groups with Low Internet Penetration Rate, 2019



■ Census Block Groups Where 20%+ Households Have No Internet Access

Data for the map are from the 2019, 5-year Average, American Community Survey. All other data are from 2019, 1-year average, American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau.

American Rescue Plan Act Estimated Funding to Pennsylvania Municipalities as a Percent of 2019 Total Municipal Revenues



Statewide Rate = 14.1% Total Revenues

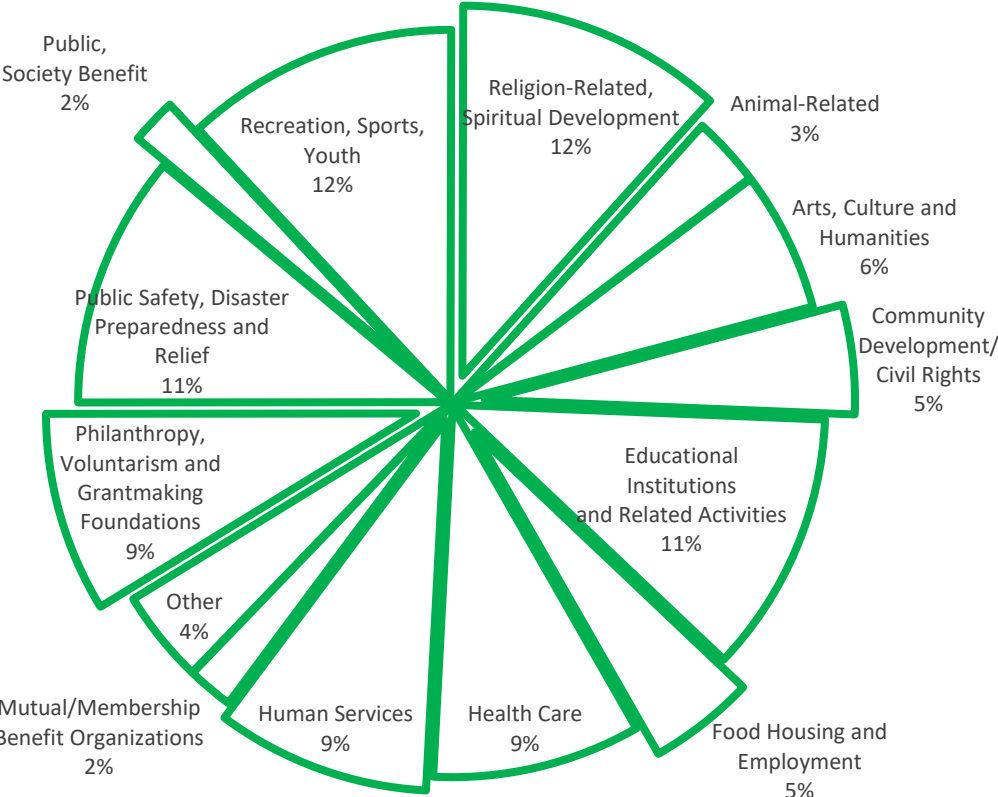


Data sources: Local Government Commission, and the Governor's Center for Local Government Services.

Rural Nonprofit Organizations, 2020

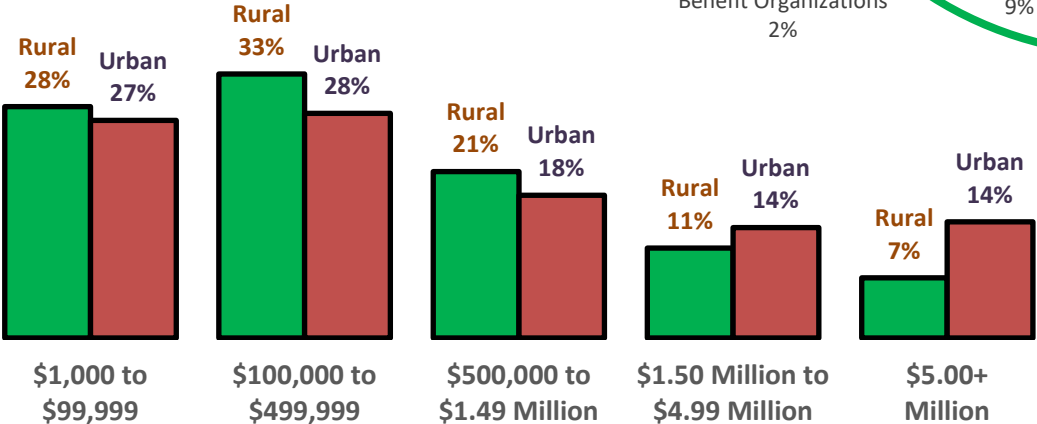
Types of Rural Nonprofit Organizations

(Data only include organizations with National Taxonomy of Exempt Entities (NTEE) Code and assets of \$1,000 or more) (n=5,864)



Nonprofit Assets

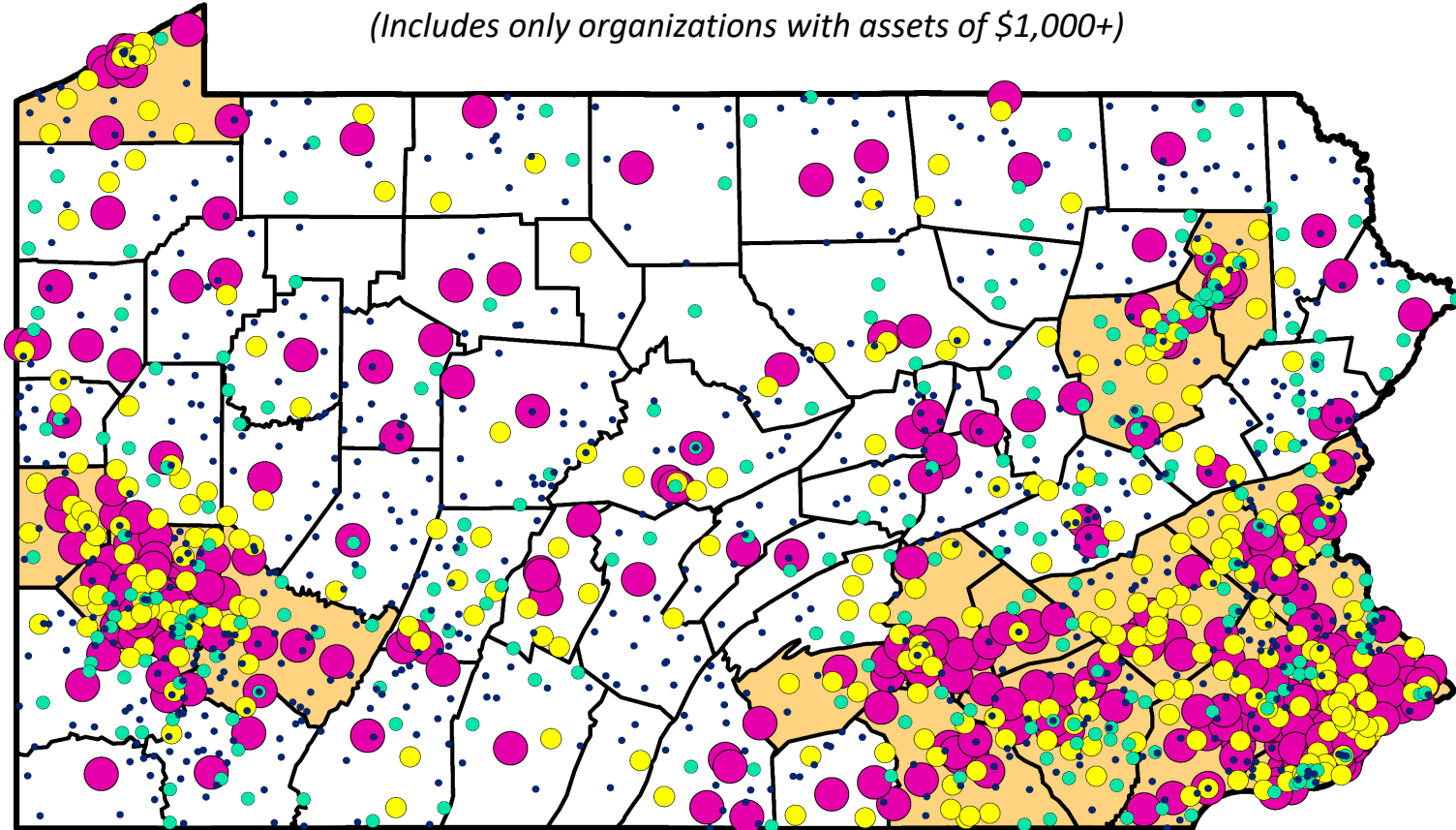
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Data source: IRS.

Number of Nonprofit Organizations in Pennsylvania by ZIP Code, 2020

(Includes only organizations with assets of \$1,000+)



Number of Nonprofit Organizations, 2020 = 31,833

Urban Rural

- <5
- 5 to 9
- 10 to 24
- 25+

Number of Nonprofit Organizations per 100,000 Residents, 2020

(Includes only organizations with assets of \$1,000+)

Data source: IRS.

Rural
222

Urban
253

Roundtable Discussion



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Thank You!

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