

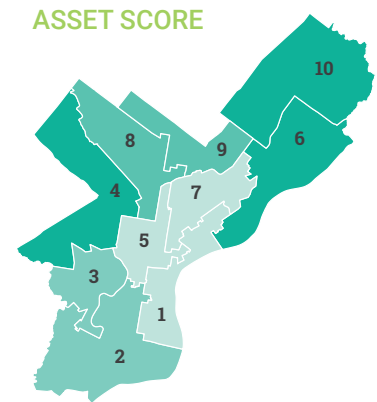
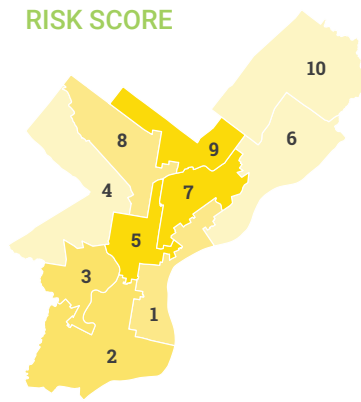
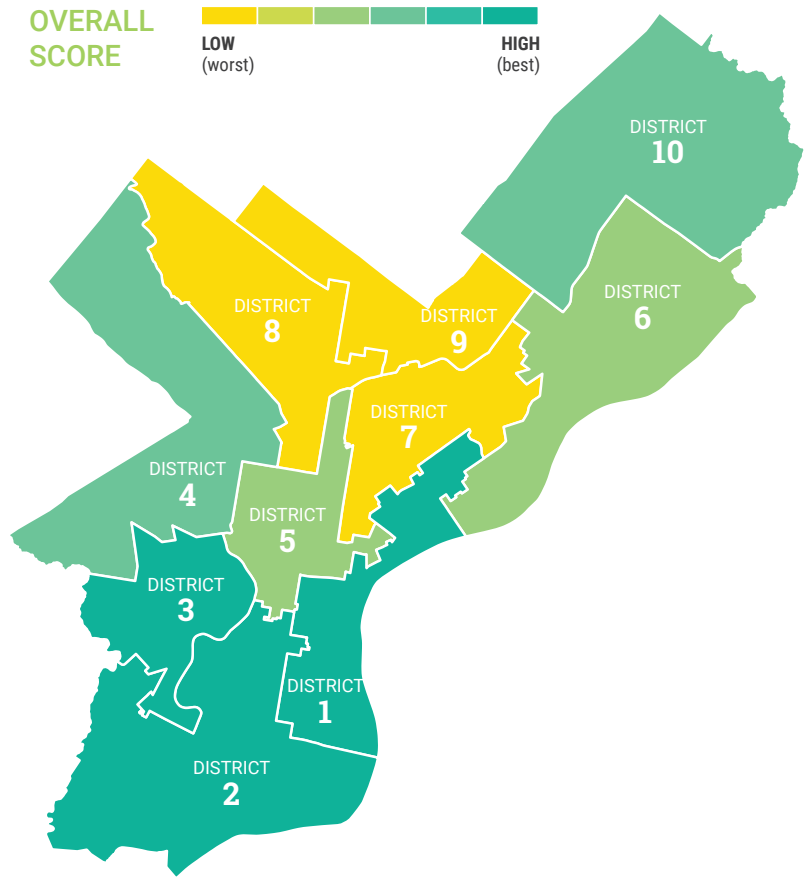
There are too many maps of Philadelphia's risks and problems. Do we know what assets exist? Place Matters seeks to identify where assets and risks lie across the city's council districts. Although we rank the ten council districts from best to worst, all districts have assets in addition to risks. There is variability across districts, but we present the information in a way that can guide decision making. The project also seeks to show the relationship between risks and assets and social mobility and life expectancy. There is a 20 year difference in average life expectancy in different parts of the city. We hope to provide a roadmap for the city to build upon existing assets and work to address the significant inequities in our city.

How can assets mitigate risks?

Where you are born significantly impacts your lifelong health and well-being. Philadelphia has many assets to strengthen. Yet, it is concerning that District 7 has the highest risks and the highest percentage of children, while District 1 has the highest cumulative score when assets and risks are combined. Additionally, it has higher than average social mobility and life expectancy. Although District 7 is the worst scoring district, it has the highest SNAP utilization and behavioral health utilization. These assets should be used to address the high number of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and lower educational attainment in the district. When implementing large-scale initiatives such as Rebuild, we must consider both the level of risk and assets in each community when distributing resources.

KEY TAKEAWAYS

The city's risks impact how much money we earn and how long we live. Philadelphia must acknowledge the inequities in assets and risks across the city and build upon the existing assets. We must stop reacting to maps that only highlight our challenges and focus on our strengths. Philadelphia can only be a world class city if all of its children are living in healthy neighborhoods that provide equitable opportunities for optimal health and well-being.



Risk Score: Lowest to Highest
 Asset Score: Lowest to Highest