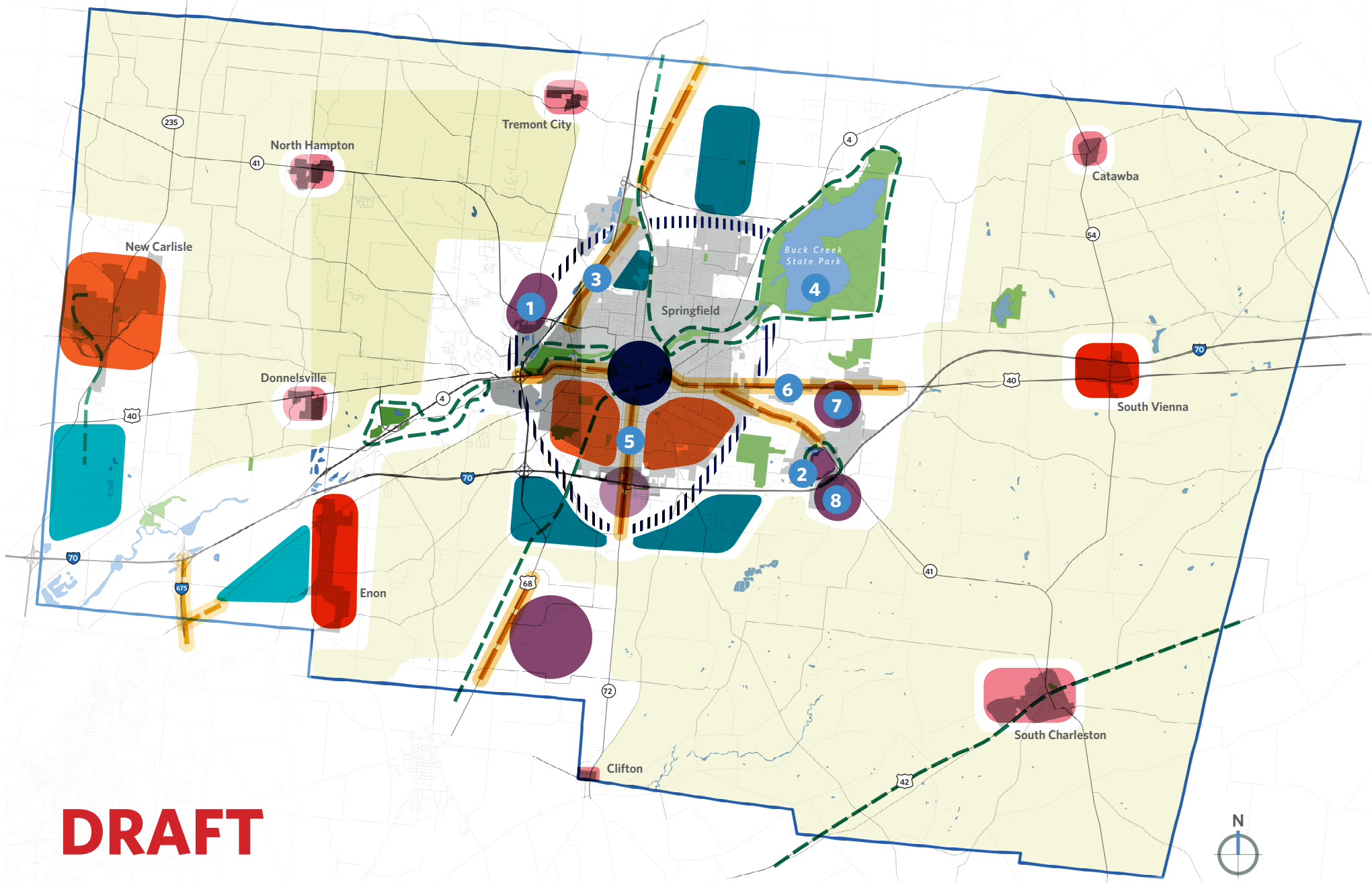


# OPPORTUNITIES MAP

The draft opportunities map is a working document for discussion purposes that has been created to assist in the development of a conceptual development strategy map for the county. The development strategy map will illustrate generally where and how the county should use its resources to guide future physical development. The concepts illustrated on the map are described below. Colored areas illustrate broad concepts, while numbered locations identify opportunities at specific locations.



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## SPECIFIC OPPORTUNITIES

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b> Upper Valley Mall        | <b>4</b> Buck Creek Park          | <b>7</b> Next Edge Technology Park     |
| <b>2</b> Clark County Fairgrounds | <b>5</b> South Limestone Corridor | <b>8</b> Prime Ohio II Industrial Park |
| <b>3</b> Bechtle Avenue           | <b>6</b> Eastern Edge Corridor    |                                        |

## LEGEND

-  **Agricultural Preservation**  
Conserve agricultural areas that have been identified as important to the county's identity, culture and economy.
-  **Community Investment**  
Invest in older communities that may be experiencing decline in order to maintain the existing pattern and character of development while encouraging improvements to public and private building. Support appropriate redevelopment on underutilized sites that may serve as catalysts for further improvement.
-  **Community Stabilization**  
Retain the value and viability of communities. Maintain existing character while encouraging improvements to public and private buildings and infrastructure.
-  **Corridor Enhancement**  
Strengthen the appearance of public and private development and safety for all users along primary corridors to promote a positive impression of the county.
-  **Downtown Strengthening**  
Build on the momentum to strengthen Downtown Springfield as a vibrant, mixed-use area that supports live, work and play opportunities. Restore and repurpose existing buildings. Support local businesses. Attract more arts and entertainment amenities.
-  **Economic Growth**  
Promote commercial, industrial and mixed-use development within existing centers of activity and other locations that represent strategic opportunities to strengthen the county's economy.
-  **Edge Maintenance**  
Focus inward to promote infill development supported by utilities, public facilities and services over low-density expansion. Where infill opportunities are not available, identify logical areas for future annexation to provide for strategic development where public services can be provided.
-  **Managed Expansion**  
Manage growth of neighborhoods adjacent to existing roadways, utilities or established neighborhoods. Create neighborhoods with a walkable pattern (small blocks and sidewalks), that connect to adjacent neighborhoods and recreational open space, and include a mix of housing types. Include new parks, community facilities such as schools, and small-scale retail.
-  **Open Space and Recreational Access**  
Preserve and enhance parks, open space or undeveloped natural areas for public enjoyment and recreation. Encourage connections to neighborhoods.