

Restaurant Activity Report—Lead Report

Current Real Estate Transactions, Leases Signed, Ownership Changes, and Business Brokerage Activity.



For restaurant contact information, please call Restaurant Activity Report at (315) 790-8151.

Eggs Rancheros Kitchen

224 Biltmore Ave.
Asheville, NC 28801

Diana Martinez

Partner

Est. Opening Date: Nov. 10, 2025

Publication Date: Oct. 21, 2025

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 and Under

Menu Type: Classic/Varied

Summary: Eggs Rancheros Kitchen, a new Mexican-American breakfast and lunch spot, is coming soon to 224 Biltmore Ave, Asheville, North Carolina 28801, near the Asheville Tourists baseball stadium. The restaurant will serve dishes like huevos rancheros, breakfast burritos, and other flavorful plates with a Southern twist, bringing a fresh new dining option to the city's South Slope neighborhood.

Catch

To Be Announced
Wilmington, NC 27701
www.catchwilmington.com

Keith Rhodes

Chef/Owner

Est. Opening Date: Jan. 1, 2026

Publication Date: Oct. 21, 2025

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: Relocation

Average Check: \$20 to \$50

Menu Type: Steak/Seafood

Summary: The popular Wilmington seafood restaurant Catch, owned by award-winning Chef Keith Rhodes, recently closed its long-time location at 6624 Market Street following the property's purchase. The closure, which took place earlier this month, is not a permanent end but a relocation; Rhodes is optimistic about the restaurant's "next chapter" and hopes to announce the new permanent location in the coming months. In the meantime, Catch continues to serve customers through its food trucks and at the Tackle Box Kitchen at UNCW.

Voyce

11 Market St.
Wilmington, NC 28401
www.mezcalitogrill.com

Keith Rhodes

Chef/Owner

Est. Opening Date: Dec. 1, 2025

Publication Date: Oct. 21, 2025

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 to \$50

Menu Type: American

Summary: Chef Keith Rhodes is preparing to open his new upscale bistro, VOYCE, in downtown Wilmington in approximately six weeks. Named in honor of his grandparents, VOYCE will be an intimate, cozy, 30-seat restaurant offering beer and wine service. The menu will feature a blend of Chef Rhodes' signature style, mixing seafood with Asian flavors and Southern tradition, while also serving familiar favorites like burgers.

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Ricci's Hoagies

715 E 36th St.
Charlotte, NC 28205
www.originalriccishoagies.com

Michael Pagliarella
Owner
Est. Opening Date: Nov. 30, 2025
Publication Date: Oct. 21, 2025

Location Type: Franchise
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 and Under
Menu Type:
Sandwiches/Soups/Salads/Deli

Summary: Philadelphia-based Ricci's Hoagies will open its first out-of-state location in late 2025 at Centro NoDa, 715 E 36th St, Charlotte, North Carolina 28205. Founded in 1920 and owned by Michael Pagliarella, the brand is known for its authentic Italian hoagies crafted with hand-sliced meats, locally baked rolls, and fresh vegetables. Franchisee Todd Garofalo will lead the Charlotte expansion, marking his first venture into the restaurant industry and aiming to bring the same pride, tradition, and community spirit as the original Philadelphia locations.

Burger Love

3133 McChesney Hill Loop
Apex, NC 27539
www.burgerlove.io

David Draper
Partner
Est. Opening Date: Feb. 1, 2026
Publication Date: Oct. 21, 2025

Location Type: Independent
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 and Under
Menu Type: Hamburgers

Summary: Burger Love, LLC is planning to open a new quick-service "build your own burger" concept in the "Peterson Station" mixed-use complex in Apex, North Carolina 27539 at 3133 McChesney Hill Loop.

Istanbul Gyro and Burger

216 W 4th St.
Winston-Salem, NC 27101

Est. Opening Date: Jan. 1, 2026
Publication Date: Oct. 14, 2025

Location Type: Independent
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 and Under
Menu Type: Other Ethnic

Summary: Sources have reported that Istanbul Gyro and Burger, a new family-owned restaurant, is coming soon to 216 W 4th St, Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27101, with an opening expected within the next 2–3 months. The restaurant will serve authentic Turkish dishes including chicken and lamb doner cooked on a vertical rotisserie, along with burgers, fresh salads, desserts, and ice creams. The owners, who relocated from Turkey three years ago, aim to continue their culinary craft in their new community.

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Mazali

2200 Thrift Rd.
Charlotte, NC 28208

Rashshad Pirmatov

Owner

Est. Opening Date: Nov. 13, 2025

Publication Date: Oct. 16, 2025

Location Type: Regional

Lead Type: Relocation

Average Check: \$20 and Under

Menu Type: Other Ethnic

Summary: Mazali, an authentic Uzbek restaurant owned by Rashshad Pirmatov, will open a new 12-seat location on November 3, 2025, at 2200 Thrift Rd, Charlotte, North Carolina 28208. Moving from its spot inside City Kitch West to a front-of-house space, Mazali is known for its plov, hand-pulled lagman noodles, and char-grilled shashlik skewers, aiming to offer guests a true cultural dining experience.

Food Truck Alley

2 Airline St.
Belmont, NC 28012

Alex Hostetler

Owner

Est. Opening Date: Dec. 10, 2025

Publication Date: Oct. 16, 2025

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 and Under

Menu Type: Food Truck

Summary: Food Truck Alley, a curated outdoor food truck park by owner Alex Hostetler, is set to open before the end of 2025 at 2 Airline St., Belmont, North Carolina 28012. The venue will feature six semi-permanent food trucks surrounding a central communal space with picnic tables, artificial turf, string lights, and shaded seating, with plans for a future bar under consideration. Designed as a community hub and incubator for small food businesses, the park will offer a diverse lineup of unique vendors and a casual, open-air dining experience.

Rimal Coffee House

To Be Announced
Raleigh, NC 27604

Est. Opening Date: Mar. 1, 2026

Publication Date: Oct. 16, 2025

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 and Under

Menu Type: Bakery/Coffee/Snacks

Summary: Source reported that a new addition to the growing Yemeni coffee trend is coming to North Raleigh in the form of Rimal Coffee House. While a few concept pictures of the space are available, the actual location, opening date, and specific details about the coffee house are not yet known.

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Desi Tavern

800 Gathering Park Cir.
Suite 107
Cary, NC 27519
www.desitavernnc.com

Est. Opening Date: Jan. 15, 2026
Publication Date: Oct. 16, 2025

Location Type: Regional
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 and Under
Menu Type: Asian

Summary: Desi Tavern, an Indian restaurant currently located in Garner, is planning to open a new outpost in Cary's Carpenter Village at 800 Gathering Park Circle, Suite 107. The new restaurant will occupy a 1,431 sqft space within the Franklin Park luxury condominium complex. Town documents indicate the buildout for the new location is estimated to cost approximately \$185,000.

Groovy Duck Bakery

101 N Salem St.
Apex, NC 27502

Joe Parker
Owner
Est. Opening Date: Jan 1, 2026
Publication Date: Oct. 16, 2025

Location Type: Regional
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 and Under
Menu Type: Bakery/Coffee/Snacks

Summary: Groovy Duck Bakery is planning to open a new location in an existing space at 101 N Salem Street in Apex, North Carolina.

Viva Barista Coffee

229 W 5th St.
Winston-Salem, NC 27101

Ricardo Hidalgo
Owner
Est. Opening Date: Nov. 18, 2025
Publication Date: Oct. 16, 2025

Location Type: Independent
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 and Under
Menu Type: Bakery/Coffee/Snacks

Summary: Viva Barista Coffee, founded by Ricardo Hidalgo and his son, is coming soon to downtown Winston-Salem at 229 W 5th St, Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27101. The 1800 sqft coffee shop will offer specialty coffee and sell its own coffee beans, drawing inspiration from the coffee culture of El Salvador. While the exact opening date is unclear, the location is currently undergoing permitting and renovations.