

## Restaurant Activity Report—Lead Report

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



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### Shakeburger

5076 Styers Ferry Rd  
Lewisville, NC 27023

**Alex Kazakos**

Owner

**Est. Opening Date:** June 14, 2026

**Publication Date:** April 21, 2026

**Location Type:** Independent

**Lead Type:** New Opening

**Average Check:** \$20 and Under

**Menu Type:** Hamburgers

**Summary:** Shakeburger, a new concept from owner Alex Kazakos, also the owner of Breakfastime, is targeting a mid June opening at 5076 Styers Ferry Rd, Lewisville, North Carolina 27023. The counter service restaurant will offer classic American comfort foods including burgers, hot dogs, chicken sandwiches, barbecue, and milkshakes, with seating for about 50 indoors and 60 on a covered patio in a modern, family friendly setting.

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### Meat & Bite

3608 Davis Drive  
Morrisville, NC 27560  
[www.meatnbite.com](http://www.meatnbite.com)

**Leila**

Owner

**Est. Opening Date:** July 1, 2026

**Publication Date:** April 21, 2026

**Location Type:** Regional

**Lead Type:** New Opening

**Average Check:** \$20 and Under

**Menu Type:** Classic/Varied

**Summary:** Meat & Bite is preparing to open a second location at 3608 Davis Drive in Morrisville, North Carolina, taking over a former Jersey Mike's space. The expansion builds on the brand's original location near NC State's campus in Raleigh. An official opening date has not yet been announced.

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### Super Chix Chicken & Custard

1125 Hatches Pond Lane  
Morrisville, NC 27560  
[www.superchix.com](http://www.superchix.com)

**Darryl Neider**

CEO

**Est. Opening Date:** June 1, 2026

**Publication Date:** April 21, 2026

**Location Type:** Franchise

**Lead Type:** New Opening

**Average Check:** \$20 and Under

**Menu Type:** Chicken

**Summary:** Super Chix Chicken & Custard is preparing to open its first Triangle-area location at 1125 Hatches Pond Lane in Morrisville, North Carolina. The concept, known for its fresh, never-frozen chicken and custard offerings, is expanding into the market under local ownership by Saqiba Iqbal and partners. This will mark the brand's third location in North Carolina, with signage already in place. An official opening date has not yet been announced.

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### Bruma

1898 S Franklin Street  
#114  
Wake Forest, NC 27587

#### Rufino Torres

Partner

Est. Opening Date: July 1, 2026

Publication Date: April 21, 2026

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 and Under

Menu Type: Asian

**Summary:** El Jefe / Bruma Wake Forest, led by owner Rufino Torres, is planning to open a new restaurant concept called "Bruma" at 1898–114 S Franklin St. in Wake Forest, North Carolina. The restaurant will take over the former Aye Taco space. Plans have been submitted, though an official opening date has not yet been announced

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### Three Lanterns

To Be Announced  
Charlotte, NC 28203  
[www.threelantersrestaurant.com](http://www.threelantersrestaurant.com)

#### Herve Laveaud

Founder

Est. Opening Date: May 25, 2026

Publication Date: April 21, 2026

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 and Under

Menu Type: Asian

**Summary:** Three Lanterns, a fast-casual Asian fusion concept from Herve Laveaud, is set to open this summer in South End, Charlotte, North Carolina 28203. The restaurant will blend Japanese, Vietnamese, and Indian cuisines, offering items such as bao, banh mi, rice bowls, sushi, wraps, and boba, with plans to serve as a hub for future expansion and catering operations.

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### Ultra Coffeebar

1870 Brevard Rd  
Suite 113  
Arden, NC 28704  
[www.ultracoffeebar.com](http://www.ultracoffeebar.com)

#### Taylor Nicks

Co-Owners

Est. Opening Date: June 26, 2026

Publication Date: April 21, 2026

Location Type: Regional

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 and Under

Menu Type: Bakeries/Coffee/  
Snacks

**Summary:** Ultra Coffeebar, owned by Taylor and Jennifer Nicks, is planning to open its second location this summer at 1870 Brevard Rd, Suite 113, Arden, North Carolina 28704. The new cafe will mirror its Asheville location, offering handcrafted coffee, matcha, and espresso drinks alongside breakfast and lunch items such as bagels, wraps, sandwiches, and vegan and gluten-free options, with both indoor and outdoor seating.

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### Kura Revolving Sushi Bar

7804 Rea Rd  
Suite A  
Charlotte, NC 28277  
[www.kurasushi.com](http://www.kurasushi.com)

**Jimmy Uba**  
CEO  
Est. Opening Date: May 16, 2026  
Publication Date: April 16, 2026

**Location Type:** Regional  
**Lead Type:** New Opening  
**Average Check:** \$20 to \$50  
**Menu Type:** Asian

**Summary:** Kura Revolving Sushi Bar is planning to open its first North Carolina location at StoneCrest at Piper Glen, 7804 Rea Rd, Suite A, Charlotte, North Carolina 28277, taking over the former Pearlz Oyster Bar space. The Japan-based chain will offer a tech-driven, conveyor belt dining experience with more than 100 menu items including nigiri, sushi rolls, tempura, noodles, fried wontons, and desserts, along with sides like edamame and crispy squid, though an official opening date has not yet been announced.

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### Sharigato

420 E 22nd St  
Charlotte, NC 28206  
[www.sharigato.com](http://www.sharigato.com)

**Shari Lynne Robins**  
Owner  
Est. Opening Date: May 1, 2026  
Publication Date: April 16, 2026

**Location Type:** Independent  
**Lead Type:** New Opening  
**Average Check:** \$20 to \$50  
**Menu Type:** Asian

**Summary:** Sharigato is expected to open in spring 2026 at 402 E 22nd St, Charlotte, North Carolina 28205, inside The Joinery at Optimist Park. Led by chef-owner Shari Lynne Robins, the hand-roll sushi concept will focus on made-to-order hand rolls prepared at a 24-seat counter, featuring options like blue crab, toro, scallops, salmon, and vegetable rolls, along with snacks such as blistered shishitos and tempura ube fries. The restaurant will also offer drinks including green tea, sake, beer, and cocktails, plus a takeout window called "Shariboto" for maki-style rolls.

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### Thoughtful Baking Co.

4418 Monroe Rd  
Suite A  
Charlotte, NC 28205  
[www.thoughtfulbakingco.com](http://www.thoughtfulbakingco.com)

**Mary Jayne Wilson**  
Owner  
Est. Opening Date: May 2, 2026  
Publication Date: April 16, 2026

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

**Summary:** Thoughtful Baking Co. is planning to open its first brick-and-mortar location in May 2026 at 4418 Monroe Rd, Suite A, Charlotte, North Carolina 28205, in the Oakhurst neighborhood. Founded by chef Mary Jayne Wilson, the bakery will expand from its farmers market roots to offer farm-to-table and seasonal items such as pastries, pies, pot pies, and quiches, with a 3,500 sqft space that includes a kitchen, a small storefront with a pick-up window, and a back area for classes and product development

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### Standard Beer + Food

540 St Albane Dr  
North Hills Innovation District  
Raleigh, NC 27609  
[www.standardbeerandfood.com](http://www.standardbeerandfood.com)

**Cov DeRamus**  
*Owner*  
**Est. Opening Date:** May 15, 2026  
**Publication Date:** April 16, 2026

**Location Type:** Regional  
**Lead Type:** New Opening  
**Average Check:** \$20 and Under  
**Menu Type:** Bar & Grill/Pub

**Summary:** Standard Beer + Food is planning to open a second location in Raleigh, North Carolina, in the North Hills Innovation District. The new standalone restaurant will build on the success of its original location near downtown Raleigh, with an expected opening in May 2026.

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### Benchwarmers Bagels

540 St. Albans Drive  
Innovation District  
Raleigh, NC 27609  
[www.benchwarmersbagels.com](http://www.benchwarmersbagels.com)

**Andrew Cash**  
*Co-Owner*  
**Est. Opening Date:** May 15, 2026  
**Publication Date:** April 16, 2026

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

**Summary:** Benchwarmers Bagels is opening a third location in Raleigh's North Hills Innovation District at 541 Church at N. Hills St. The 2,800 sqft space in Tower 5 will expand beyond bagels, offering sandwiches, pizzas, and an extensive beverage list. This follows Benchwarmers' recent lease at Kane Realty's Rockway development near Dorothea Dix Park, set to open before the North Hills location at 540 St. Albans Drive, Raleigh, North Carolina. The new standalone location will expand the brand's presence in the area, with an expected opening in May 2026.

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### The Junction: Eats & Hub

7525 Humie Olive Rd  
Apex, NC 27502

**Rob Foltz**  
*Representative*  
**Est. Opening Date:** June 1, 2026  
**Publication Date:** April 16, 2026

**Location Type:** Independent  
**Lead Type:** New Opening  
**Average Check:** \$20 and Under  
**Menu Type:** Classic/Varied

**Summary:** The Junction. Eats & Hub is preparing to open in Apex, North Carolina, as a permanent food truck hub and community dining destination. The concept will feature rotating food trucks, daily vendor slots, and a dedicated 20-truck storage facility with commissary access. Designed as a centralized gathering space, the hub will offer a streamlined environment for vendors and a convenient dining experience for the local community. An official opening date has not yet been announced.