

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 (320) 300-4488.

No Knife Chicken & Waffles

700 Atando Ave
Charlotte, NC 28206
www.noknifechickenwaffles.com

DaBaby
Owner
Est. Opening Date: 7/15/2026
Publication Date: 6/30/2026

Location Type: Independent
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 and under
Menu Type: Chicken

Summary: No Knife Chicken & Waffles will open in mid-July at 700 Atando Ave, Charlotte, North Carolina 28206. Backed by rapper DaBaby, the brunch restaurant will serve made-to-order chicken and waffles, fish and grits, lobster and grits, specialty waffles, Southern sides, homemade desserts, fresh lemonade refreshers, and a full bar in an upscale fast-casual diner setting with late-night hours.

Standard Beer + Food

560 St Albans Dr
Raleigh, NC 27609
www.standardbeerandfood.com

Cov DeRamus
Owner
Est. Opening Date: 7/15/2026
Publication Date: 6/30/2026

Location Type: Regional
Lead Type: Update
Average Check: \$20 and under
Menu Type: Bar & Grill/Pub

Summary: UPDATE!! We previously reported that Standard Beer + Food was planning to open a second location in Raleigh's North Hills Innovation District with an expected May 2026 opening. The restaurant is now scheduled to open July 2026 at 560 St. Albans Drive, Raleigh, NC 27609, according to the North Hills directory. The independently owned restaurant will bring the same hospitality as its original Person Street location to a new 150-seat restaurant featuring an expansive bar and large patio. Led by Executive Chef Andrea Cardella, the menu will include handhelds, salads, oysters, a full raw bar, large plates, and weekly specials highlighting local and seasonal ingredients.

Lina's Bakery & Cafe

Falls of Neuse Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27609

Carlos Lemus, Sr.
Owner
Est. Opening Date: 8/15/2026
Publication Date: 6/30/2026

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

Summary: Carlos Lemus Sr. and Carlos Lemus Jr., known for the popular cakes at LaGana, are opening Lina's Bakery & Cafe on Falls of Neuse Road in Raleigh, North Carolina, with an anticipated August 2026 opening. Named in honor of Carlos Sr.'s mother and mother-in-law, both named Lina, the new bakery and cafe will allow the family to expand its dessert offerings and introduce new creations beyond the capacity of LaGana's kitchen. The bakery will continue the family's tradition of handcrafted cakes while offering additional baked goods and cafe items.

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Lowes Foods

1740 Mecklenburg Hwy
Mooresville, NC 28115
www.lowesfoods.com

Gregory Rockwell
Director, Operations
Est. Opening Date: 1/1/2027
Publication Date: 6/30/2026

Location Type: Regional
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 to \$50
Menu Type: Classic/Varied

Summary: Lowes Foods will open a new location in 2027 at 1740 Mecklenburg Hwy, Mooresville, North Carolina 28115. The 52,000 sqft grocery store will feature several signature food concepts, including Beer Den for local craft and draft beers, Boxcar Betty for coffee and smoothies, The Cakery for specialty cakes and desserts, Chicken Kitchen, SausageWorks, and Pick & Prep.

Honore

209 W 6th St
Winston-Salem, NC 27101
www.honoretapas.com

Est. Opening Date: 7/21/2026
Publication Date: 6/30/2026

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

Summary: Honore will open this summer at 209 W Sixth St, Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27101. The new restaurant will take over the former 6th & Vine space in the Downtown Arts District, bringing a fresh dining concept to one of the city's longtime restaurant locations.

Flying Biscuit Cafe

15-501 at Chatham Park
Pittsboro, NC 27315
www.flyingbiscuit.com

Brent Fuller
VP, Operations
Est. Opening Date: 10/1/2026
Publication Date: 6/30/2026

Location Type: Franchise
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 and under
Menu Type:
Bakeries/Coffee/Snacks

Summary: Flying Biscuit Cafe is planning to open a new location in the Mosaic development at Chatham Park in Pittsboro, North Carolina. The regional breakfast and brunch chain will occupy a new building that is expected to begin construction soon along the U.S. 15-501 corridor. Known for its Southern-inspired breakfast and brunch menu, Flying Biscuit Cafe will join the growing mixed-use development alongside other upcoming dining concepts.

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Southern Grounds & Co.

To Be Announced
Charlotte, NC 28203
www.southerngrounds.com

Annie Harmer
Director
Est. Opening Date: 9/1/2026
Publication Date: 6/25/2026

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

Summary: Southern Grounds & Co. is planning its North Carolina location in the Dilworth neighborhood of Charlotte, North Carolina 28203. Founded by Mark Janasik in Neptune Beach, Florida, the cafe brand operates a hybrid coffee shop, bakery, and restaurant concept serving specialty coffee, breakfast items, sandwiches, salads, bowls, burgers, pastries, and other cafe fare. The proposed Dilworth location is part of the company's expansion into the Charlotte market, though a specific address and opening date have not yet been announced.

Sweet Paris Crêperie & Cafe

1 Fenton Main Street
Cary, NC 27511
www.sweetparis.com

Ivan Chavez
Founder
Est. Opening Date: 8/1/2026
Publication Date: 6/25/2026

Location Type: Franchise
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 to \$50
Menu Type: Desserts

Summary: Sweet Paris Crêperie & Cafe is set to open a location at 1 Fenton Main Street, Suite 190, Cary, North Carolina 27511. Known for its sweet and savory crêpes, the Parisian-inspired cafe offers a menu that includes breakfast, lunch, and dinner options. The menu will feature a variety of offerings, including crepes, waffles, soups, salads, paninis, as well as mimosas, beer, wine, cider, coffee, tea, and milkshakes. They are scheduled to open summer 2026.

Esteamed Coffee

185 High House Rd.
Cary, NC 27511
www.esteamedcoffee.com

Angie Hudson
Co-Founder/Owner
Est. Opening Date: 11/1/2026
Publication Date: 6/25/2026

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

Summary: Esteamed Coffee is opening its second Cary location at 185 High House Rd., in the former High House Billiards space. The expansion will create up to 12 new jobs for adults with disabilities while the original downtown Cary cafe will remain open. The new coffee shop is expected to open before the end of 2026.

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Taal Dining

310 W Franklin St
Chapel Hill, NC 27516
www.taaldining.com

Est. Opening Date: 8/15/2026
Publication Date: 6/25/2026

Location Type: Independent
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 and under
Menu Type: Asian

Summary: Taal Indian Kitchen & Bar is opening at 310 W Franklin St., Chapel Hill, North Carolina, in the former Cholanad restaurant space. The new concept will feature handcrafted Indian dishes, cocktails, chaats, and a fine dining atmosphere. The restaurant's website lists the concept as "Coming Soon," while local reports state an opening announcement is expected soon.

Haraz Coffee House

1616 Battleground Ave
Greensboro, NC 27408
www.harazcoffeehouse.com

Hamzah Nasser
Founder/CEO
Est. Opening Date: 7/26/2026
Publication Date: 6/25/2026

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

Summary: Haraz Coffee House is expected to open this summer at 1616 Battleground Ave, Greensboro, North Carolina 27408. The Yemeni coffee chain's first Triad location will offer specialty coffee beverages, teas, refreshers, pastries, and traditional Middle Eastern-inspired menu items in a cafe setting focused on hospitality and community gathering.

Bowl'd Up

6324 Clemmons Point Dr
Clemmons, NC 27012

Katie Trabelsi
Owner
Est. Opening Date: 7/15/2026
Publication Date: 6/25/2026

Location Type: Independent
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 and under
Menu Type: Desserts

Summary: Bowl'd Up is expected to open this summer at 6324 Clemmons Point Dr, Clemmons, North Carolina 27012. Founded by a mother-daughter team, the business launched its Bowl'd Up food truck in July 2025 and is now expanding into its first brick-and-mortar location. The storefront will serve its popular açai bowls along with smoothies and refreshers, while the food truck will continue operating at events and pop-ups throughout the area.
