Restaurant Activity Report—Lead Report

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Shawarma Kingdom

9335 N Tryon St
Charlotte, NC 28262

Est. Opening Date: 11/30/2026
Publication Date: 11/17/2026

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

Summary: Shawarma Kingdom is preparing for a soft opening at 9335 N. Tryon St Suite 103, Charlotte, North Carolina 28262, serving fresh made-from-scratch bread, shawarma, falafel, hummus, and other Middle Eastern street food.

Petalcakes

9818 Gilead Rd
Huntersville, NC 28078
www.petalcakes.com

Courtney McCarthy
Owner
Est. Opening Date: 12/15/2026
Publication Date: 11/17/2026

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

Summary: Petalcakes plans to move before the end of 2026 to 9818 Gilead Rd, Huntersville, North Carolina 28078, adding cafe seating and an expanded menu. Owner Courtney McCarthy will bring the bakery and coffee offerings from Petalcakes' Gibson Mill location in Concord, including buttercream flower cupcakes, cupcake bouquets, custom cakes, and assorted cupcake packs.

Eddie V's Prime Seafood Restaurant

4006 Market at North Hills Street
Raleigh, NC 27609
www.eddiev.com

Rick Cardenas
President/CEO - Darden Restaurant
Est. Opening Date: 7/1/2027
Publication Date: 11/17/2026

Location Type: Regional
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: $20 to $50
Menu Type: Steak/Seafood

Summary: Darden Restaurants is considering an Eddie V's Prime Seafood restaurant on the ground floor of The Strand at 4006 Market at North Hills Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609. The proposed restaurant would offer the brand's seafood, steak, wine, and cocktail menu, while the building targets completion in summer 2027. No timeline for the opening has been announced; we will update as more details are released.

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Alpaca Chicken

2901 Wallace Adcock Boulevard
Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526
www.alpacachicken.com

Ranbir Bakhshi
Owner/Founder
Est. Opening Date: 7/1/2027
Publication Date: 11/17/2026

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

Summary: Alpaca Chicken is a confirmed future tenant at Gold Leaf Crossing in Fuquay-Varina, North Carolina, where the town anticipates additional businesses opening in summer 2027. The family-owned regional company serves Peruvian charcoal chicken and accompanying sides, although the new restaurant's unit assignment and individual opening date remain unannounced.

BarOBar

2301 Corley Rd
Cary, NC 27519
www.barobarnc.com

Gokul Patibandla
Owner
Est. Opening Date: 12/10/2026
Publication Date: 11/17/2026

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

Summary: BarOBar is planning to open a new Indian restaurant at 2301 Corley Rd., Cary, North Carolina 27519, in the Shoppes at Twyla Walk development. Gokul Patibandla is a partner in the business.

Harlem Brew South

310 E 3rd St
Winston-Salem, NC 27101
www.harlembrewsouth.com

Celeste Beatty
Founder
Est. Opening Date: 3/24/2027
Publication Date: 11/17/2026

Location Type: Independent
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: $20 to $50
Menu Type: Bar & Grill/Pub

Summary: Harlem Brew South plans to open a taproom and coffeehouse in spring 2027 at 310 E 3rd St, Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27101, inside the historic S.J. Nissen Wagon Works Building. The venue will serve Harlem Brewing Company beers, nonalcoholic craft beverages, two Winston-Salem exclusive IPAs, specialty coffee and espresso, and host live music and spoken-word events. Founder Celeste Beatty incorporated Harlem Brew South with her brothers, Carl and Pernell Beatty, as an expansion of Harlem Brewing Company.

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Getaway Bar

1459 River Highway
Mooresville, NC 28117

Gennaro Vitale
Co-Owners
Est. Opening Date: 3/2/2027
Publication Date: 11/12/2026

Location Type: Independent
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: $20 to $50
Menu Type: Bar & Grill/Pub

Summary: Getaway Bar, a floating bar from Gennaro and Susan Vitale's Vitale Hospitality Group, is expected to open in March 2027 at Vitale Lakeside, 1459 River Highway, Mooresville, North Carolina 28117. The lakefront bar will have 25 boat slips for guests arriving by water; the group also operates Midtown Tavern, Dilworth Social, World Nightclub, and Bonnie & Clyde's Lounge.

East Thai & Sushi

3109 Shannon Road
Durham, NC 27707

Tommy Zoobharasee
Owner
Est. Opening Date: 1/1/2027
Publication Date: 11/12/2026

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

Summary: East Thai & Sushi plans to open at 3109 Shannon Rd., Durham, North Carolina's University Hill development. The operators recently relocated from Miami, where they owned a similar restaurant. An opening date has not been announced yet.

Parallax Coffee Lab

To Be Announced
Raleigh, NC 27601
www.parallax.coffee

Kenneth Freyer
Owner
Est. Opening Date: 12/28/2026
Publication Date: 11/12/2026

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

Summary: Parallax Coffee Lab plans to relocate from 18 E. Third St., Wendell, North Carolina 27591, to Raleigh, North Carolina. The business expects to leave its Wendell location by the end of 2026, although a new street address and reopening date have not been announced.

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Vaishno Bhog

3524 Davis Dr.
Morrisville, NC 27560
www.vaishnobhog.com

Lalit Farmah
Owner
Est. Opening Date: 1/1/2027
Publication Date: 11/12/2026

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

Summary: Vaishno Bhog, a new vegetarian restaurant and sweets shop, is planning to open at 3524 Davis Dr, Morrisville, North Carolina. The owners have submitted plans to open in an existing space, although an opening date was not provided.

Float Soda Shop

1013 Battleground Ave
Greensboro, NC 27408

Emily Baker
Partner
Est. Opening Date: 11/2/2026
Publication Date: 11/12/2026

Location Type: Independent
Lead Type: Update
Average Check: $20 and under
Menu Type: Desserts

Summary: UPDATE!! We previously reported that Chase Strange and Emily Baker, owners of The Daily Grind in Burlington, planned to open Float Dirty Soda and Ice Cream in August 2026 at 1013 Battleground Ave, Greensboro, North Carolina 27408. The shop is now expected to open in late November, offering customizable dirty sodas with housemade and sugar-free syrups, build-your-own toppings, complimentary popcorn, pretzel bites, cookies, and ice cream.

Bright Penny Brewing

100 W Washington St
Greensboro, NC 27401
www.brightpennybrewing.com

Jason Brand
Co-Owners
Est. Opening Date: 3/1/2027
Publication Date: 11/12/2026

Location Type: Regional
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: $20 to $50
Menu Type: Bar & Grill/Pub

Summary: Bright Penny Brewing, owned by Jason Brand, Cristina Carroll, and Jeremy Carroll, plans to open a Greensboro restaurant by early March 2027 at 100 W Washington St, Greensboro, North Carolina 27401, in the Vernon Building. The new location will have a full bar and outdoor patio; Bright Penny's existing menu includes craft beer, pizza, salads, sandwiches, and small bites.