

Recent Activity

2020

Industrial

Ferrara Candy Co. began the construction of 1.6 million-square-foot distribution complex. *(DeKalb)*

Facebook began the construction of \$800 million, 900,000 square foot Data Center. *(DeKalb)*

Syngenta set the project of a 960,000-square-foot R&D, innovation and customer experience center. *(Malta)*

Conserv FS announced plans for a significant expansion to its Waterman service center. *(Waterman)*

Wehrli Custom Fabrication would begin construction of a new headquarter, manufacturing & distribution facility. *(DeKalb)*

The Suter Company completed a new two-story office addition in the Sycamore Prairie business park. *(Sycamore)*

Innovative Growers had expanded in the Sycamore Industrial Park. *(Sycamore)*

Nicor Gas Company was constructing a new service center in the Krpan Thanks America business park. *(Sycamore)*

Commercial and Institutional

The DeKalb County Nursing Home and Rehabilitation began the addition and renovation project. *(DeKalb)*

The DeKalb City Hall moved to the former First National Bank downtown. *(DeKalb)*

The Egyptian Theatre had completed extensive renovations and upgrades. *(DeKalb)*

New Meijer retail supercenter opened at 541 Puri Parkway. *(Sycamore)*

K & M Tire had begun operation at 2600 Wirsing Parkway building. *(Sycamore)*

Ignatius Press completed an expansion of their facility in the Sycamore Prairie Business Park. *(Sycamore)*

Pappas Development began the project of **Isaac Executive Suites**, a 59 One-bedroom apartment building. *(DeKalb)*

The Agora Tower is under construction on the site of the former Mooney building. *(DeKalb)*

Home2 Suites by Hilton opened at 575 S. Annie Glidden Road. *(DeKalb)*

Phase 3 of the new **Sycamore Wastewater Treatment Plant** was completed. *(Sycamore)*

The Kishwaukee Water Reclamation District was completing construction of its Phase 1B Improvements. *(DeKalb)*

The International Bureau of Electrical Workers was completing a training facility on Walnut Avenue. *(DeKalb)*

Resource Bank opened of a new branch in a Kirkland. *(Kirkland)*

Cast Iron Coffee opened at 901 Lucinda Ave. Suite D, on the NIU campus. *(DeKalb)*

Glidden Hill Grill & Catering opened at 930 Pappas Drive. *(DeKalb)*

Mason Indoor Golf USA had completed buildout of 12,000 square feet of space at 1500 Sycamore Road. *(DeKalb)*

Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers opened on 2411 Sycamore Road. *(DeKalb)*

Sunday's Seconds expanded buying the Daily Chronicle building at 1586 Barber Greene Road. *(DeKalb)*

El Jimador Mexican Grill opened at 260 E. Lincoln Highway. *(DeKalb)*

Old School Pizza opened at 507 N. Third St. *(Malta)*

Rise & Shine Family Restaurant opened at 1640 DeKalb Avenue. *(Sycamore)*

Legacy Academy barber school opened at 309 E. State St. *(Sycamore)*

Open Door Coffee was remodeling a building on Main Street. *(Genoa)*

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- K&M Tire** acquired the 202,000-square-foot 2600 Wirsing Parkway building formerly leased by 3M. *(DeKalb)*
- Solotech** completed buildout of 8,200 square feet of office space in the 711 Fairview Drive building. *(DeKalb)*
- Byers Brewing Co.** established operations downtown on the first floor of the Sundog building. *(DeKalb)*
- The Write Stuff** school supply company relocated to the Airport North Industrial Park. *(DeKalb)*
- The Suter Co.** is expanding its Bethany Road facility Park with a two-story office addition. *(Sycamore)*
- Seymour of Sycamore** has begun construction of a 30,000-square-foot addition on Crosby Avenue. *(Sycamore)*
- Tech-Weld of Elburn** has contracted to purchase the 805 Thornwood Drive building. *(Sycamore)*
- Swedberg Electric** acquired the 525 Brickville Road building to accommodate its growing business. *(Sycamore)*
- Alexander Drywall** acquired the 917 Borden Ave. building to accommodate its business. *(DeKalb)*
- Natural Polymers** relocated to the 14438 E. North Ave. building in Cortland from West Chicago. *(Cortland)*
- Fabtek** expanded to the 775 Duvick Ave. building in Sandwich from Plano. *(Sandwich)*
- Whiskey Acres Distilling Co.** opened its new 3,600-square-foot visitor's center on Keslinger Road. *(DeKalb)*
- The DeLong Co.** completed construction of new grain bins to increase storage capacity at the Delco Elevators. *(Waterman)*

Commercial and Institutional

- Meijer Stores** is progressing on construction of a 159,000-square-foot supercenter. *(Sycamore)*
- MorningStar Media Group** has completed renovations to the 220 S. California St. building. *(Sycamore)*
- The Coroco Coffee Roaster Collective** opened next to the Morning Media Group. *(Sycamore)*
- Chelsea McGhee Studios** has expanded to a new location at 942 W. State St. *(Sycamore)*
- Cornerstone DeKalb** is complete with full occupancy of the project's 51 furnished luxury units. *(DeKalb)*
- The Tavern on Lincoln** restaurant and pub opened on the ground-floor of Cornerstone DeKalb. *(DeKalb)*
- Construction of Plaza DeKalb** on the corner of Lincoln Highway and Second Street is nearing completion. *(DeKalb)*
- Jamrah** opened its second DeKalb County location at the Plaza. *(DeKalb)*
- The Agora Tower** project has begun with the demolition of the former Mooney building. *(DeKalb)*
- Egyptian Theatre** has been progressing with renovation and addition of air conditioning. *(DeKalb)*
- Hometown Sports Bar & Grill** expanded and created a space called "Stage Left". *(DeKalb)*
- Mason Properties** was building out space at 1500 Sycamore Road for Mason Indoor Golf USA. *(DeKalb)*
- Aldi** completed construction of a new expanded grocery store. *(DeKalb)*
- Planet Fitness** established a health club. *(DeKalb)*
- Developer NewGen Assets** is progressing with construction of the **Home2 Suites by Hilton**. *(DeKalb)*
- The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers** is developing a training facility on Walnut Avenue. *(Genoa)*
- The Genoa Food Hub** opened in partnership with DeKalb County Community Gardens. *(Genoa)*
- The Red Brick Inn Bar & Grill** opened on Main Street in Kirkland. *(Kirkland)*
- Castle View Real Estate** established an office on Main Street in Maple Park. *(Maple Park)*
- The Shabbona Barber Shop** opened on Route 30. *(Shabbona)*
- A new **Burger King** restaurant was constructed on Route 34. *(Sandwich)*
- Northern Illinois University** remodeled the first floor of the Holmes Student Center. *(DeKalb)*
- Kishwaukee College** completed remodeling of the Library and Academic Support Services Center. *(Malta)*
- Northwestern Medicine Kishwaukee Hospital** completed a new breast health center. *(DeKalb)*
- The DeKalb County Nursing & Rehab Center** was going with an expansion. *(DeKalb)*
- Family Service Agency** acquired and renovated the 1325 Sycamore Road Building. *(DeKalb)*
- MetroNet** has been approved to extend service to in unincorporated areas of the county. *(County)*

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- Target** and **3M** together have hired more than 1,000 new workers in DeKalb over the past two years. *(DeKalb)*
- CEVA** leased 212,000 square feet of the 12101 Barber Greene Road building to provide shipping services for **3M**. *(DeKalb)*
- School Tool Box** expanded into 87,000 square feet of space on the east end of the Barber Greene building. *(DeKalb)*
- Solotech** leased additional space in the 711 Fairview Drive building. *(DeKalb)*
- Wehrli Custom Fabrication** acquired and remodeled the 300 Harvestore Drive building. *(DeKalb)*
- Unified Wire & Cable** completed construction of an addition to its Dietz Avenue building. *(DeKalb)*
- Win Aviation** was renovating its hangar at DeKalb Taylor Municipal Airport. *(DeKalb)*
- Natural Polymers** purchased the former Kishwaukee Forge building on North Street. *(Cortland)*
- The Suter Company** was completing an 81,000-square-foot addition to its facility. *(Sycamore)*
- Apple Plastic** recycling and **Glide Rite** shopping carts established operations. *(Sycamore)*
- Innovative Growers** more than doubled its operations for the production of hydroponic growing tables. *(Sycamore)*
- Custom Aluminum Products** was completing a 34,000-square-foot addition to its facility. *(Genoa)*
- J6 Polymers** has expanded its aerospace polymers production business. *(Genoa)*
- Meadowvale** has moved into its new soft-serve ice cream production plant. *(Sandwich)*
- Gord Industrial Plastics** completed construction of its new manufacturing plant. *(Sandwich)*
- Midwestern Concrete** and **Sopris Concrete** completed new buildings. *(Sandwich)*

Commercial and Institutional

- The construction of a **Home2 Suites by Hilton** began on Annie Glidden Road and Knolls Avenue. *(DeKalb)*
- Metronet** has been in talks with DeKalb and Sycamore city officials to begin serving the area. *(DeKalb & Sycamore)*
- Northwestern Medicine** expanded telestroke program to Kishwaukee, Valley West hospitals. *(Sandwich)*
- Northwestern Medicine Kishwaukee Health and Wellness Center** opened in November. *(DeKalb)*
- Genoa Bed&Breakfast Guest House** opened in May. *(Genoa)*
- Prairie State Winery** was named one of the 13 wineries as an official Illinois Bicentennial rosé wine. *(Genoa)*
- Liquor & Wine** in Genoa was on expansion. *(Genoa)*
- Cassie's Corn Crib Café** opened in February. *(Sycamore)*
- Nina's Taco Shop** opened in March. *(Sycamore)*
- Rustic Roots Home Décor** opened in April. *(Sycamore)*
- Tom and Jerry** expanded. *(Sycamore)*
- UOI Boutique** opened in October. *(Sycamore)*
- New Verizon retailer** opened in February. *(DeKalb)*
- Forge Brewhouse** opened in March. *(DeKalb)*
- New Popeye** opened in April. *(DeKalb)*
- Common Grounds** opened at new location in June. *(DeKalb)*
- Dunkin'** opened in September. *(DeKalb)*
- The Northern Illinois Center for Community Sustainability (NICCS)** was planned at NIU. *(DeKalb)*

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- 3M** completed its 987,000 SF, \$40 million distribution center and hired 350 new workers. *(DeKalb)*
- Target** won an Edie Illinois Economic Development Award and hired 450 workers. *(DeKalb)*
- Nestle** extended the lease on their regional office and distribution center along I-88. *(DeKalb)*
- SparrowHawk** completed buildout of the 711 Fairview Drive building to house **Solotech**. *(DeKalb)*
- IDEAL INDUSTRIES** expanded their Intrapreneurship Partnership with Northern Illinois University (NIU). *(DeKalb)*
- The Suter Company** is under construction with its 4th expansion, adding 81,000 SF to their Bethany Road plant. *(Sycamore)*
- Ignatius Press** has completed a new 70,000 SF design and production center. *(Sycamore)*
- Auto Meter** creates 250 new products each and every year. *(Sycamore)*
- LEDiL** expanded operations to accommodate growth of their LED lenses design and production business. *(Sycamore)*
- Innovative Growers Equipment** has expanded their business to over 60,000 SF. *(Sycamore)*
- Dawn Equipment** was named the "Most Innovative Company" in the Chicago Area by Crain's Chicago Business. *(Sycamore)*
- Theisen Roofing** expanded/relocated operations to Stephanie Drive. *(Cortland)*
- DC Trash** built a new operations center on East North Avenue. *(Cortland)*
- Custom Aluminum Products** completed major expansions of up to 400,000 SF manufacturing complex. *(Genoa)*
- J6 Polymers** completed build-out of its aerospace polymers production facility on Derby Line Road. *(Genoa)*
- Alan Browne Chevrolet** will execute a major expansion of their auto dealership on Route 23. *(Genoa)*
- Floor Mart** opened a floor covering distribution facility. *(Kingston)*
- DeKalb County Lifts** built a new building to house their growing custom truck & SUV accessories business. *(Kingston)*
- Meadowvale** renovated three industrial buildings and relocated to the Sandwich Industrial Park. *(Sandwich)*
- Gord Industrial Plastics** is building a new manufacturing plant. *(Sandwich)*

Commercial and Institutional

- Brian Bemis Toyota** is completed and located on Sycamore Road. *(Sycamore)*
- Sundog IT** acquired a building and initiated renovations in Downtown DeKalb. *(DeKalb)*
- Cornerstone** began construction of mixed-use development in Downtown DeKalb. *(DeKalb)*
- Illinois Community Credit Union** completed construction in Downtown Sycamore. *(Sycamore)*
- First State Bank** completed construction and opened. *(Sycamore)*
- Burger King** completed construction and opened. *(Sycamore)*
- Casey's General Store** construction completed and opened. *(DeKalb)*
- Chili's** restaurant construction completed and opened. *(DeKalb)*
- Rosati's Pizza** opened. *(DeKalb)*
- Popeyes Louisiana Kitchen** opened. *(DeKalb)*
- Remington's Gastropub** opened. *(Malta)*
- Rivers Mexican Cantina** opened. *(Genoa)*
- Dunkin Donuts** announced development. *(Genoa)*
- Northwestern Medicine** began construction of a \$46 million Health & Wellness Center. *(DeKalb)*
- DeKalb County Jail's** \$35 million expansion near completion. *(Sycamore)*
- Hardee's** opened. *(Sycamore)*
- Outpost Marathon** opened. *(Sycamore)*
- Slow Smoke BBQ** opened. *(Sycamore)*
- Sycamore Forest Preserve** infrastructure project near completion. *(Sycamore)*
- Sycamore Park District Community Center** project underway. *(Sycamore)*
- Kishwaukee Water Reclamation District's Treatment Plant** began major expansion and construction. *(DeKalb)*

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- DeKalb Co. Enterprise Zone** established – providing pre-approved industrial/commercial incentives. *(DeKalb)*
3M completed \$40 million, 987,000 SF distribution center in Park 88. *(DeKalb)*
IDEAL INDUSTRIES completed \$18 million, 220,000 SF plant in Sycamore Prairie Business Park. *(Sycamore)*
Target completed \$50 million conversion to Upstream Distribution Center adding 400 workers. *(DeKalb)*
Meadowvale acquired buildings in Sandwich Industrial Park to expand ice cream production. *(Sandwich)*
J6 Polymers acquired Derby Line Road complex to expand aerospace polymer manufacturing. *(Genoa)*
Hines Lumber acquired/expanded into truss manufacturing plant in Bull Run Industrial Park. *(Kirkland)*
DeKalb Forge completed \$1 million expansion of die building. *(DeKalb)*
Tate & Lyle completed \$1.5 million expansion in Sycamore Prairie Business Park. *(Sycamore)*
Seymour of Sycamore acquired/expanded new building to house marketing operations. *(Sycamore)*
Solotech of Quebec, Canada leased 72,000 SF in 711 Fairview Drive building in Park 88. *(DeKalb)*
Gord Industrial Plastics begun reconstruction of manufacturing plant in Sandwich Industrial Park. *(Sandwich)*
Ag Tech completed new 24,000 SF ag-industrial building. *(Sandwich)*
Service Concepts constructed new building for expanding business operations. *(Genoa)*
Cole Pallet acquired and improved South 7th Street Building. *(DeKalb)*
LEDiL established new Americas Operation office and distribution facility. *(Sycamore)*
Fortune Metal Midwest acquired/relocated to Sandwich Industrial Park from Naperville. *(Sandwich)*
RJ O'Neill Co. expanded to additional facility in Walt Industrial Center. *(Cortland)*

Commercial and Institutional

- Brian Bemis Toyota** completed \$3 million renovation with City and Enterprise Zone assistance. *(DeKalb)*
Fargo-on-State mixed-use redevelopment by Pappas Development. *(Sycamore)*
Resource Bank renovated Bethany Road building for operations/conference center. *(DeKalb)*
First Midwest Group constructed new two specialty retail buildings on Sycamore Road. *(DeKalb)*
First State Bank began construction on new branch bank on DeKalb Avenue. *(Sycamore)*
Dollar General completed construction/expansion of three locations. *(Waterman, Somonauk, & Maple Park)*
Popeye's completed construction of new restaurant on West Lincoln Highway. *(DeKalb)*
Jonamac Cider House constructed to sample/sell apple wines and ciders at Jonamac Orchard. *(Malta)*
Book World opened in the Junction Shopping Center. *(DeKalb)*
Casey's General Store acquired Peace Rd/Lincoln Hwy corner. *(DeKalb)*
Fargo Skateboarding expanded to the Fargo Theater building on East Lincoln Highway. *(DeKalb)*
Eggsclusive restaurant established to additional drive-through/carry-out location. *(Sycamore)*
DiBenedetto's Italian Restaurant established on Route 72. *(Kirkland)*
Remington's Gastropub opened on Third Street. *(Malta)*
Curly's Furniture expanded to additional location beyond its two Streator, IL locations. *(DeKalb)*
Minnihan's Irish Pub opened. *(Genoa)*
Karlsbad Tavern completed renovations. *(Genoa)*
Mandy's Just Because gift shop established along Route 30. *(Hinckley)*
Common Grounds Books & Coffee Bar opened. *(DeKalb)*

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2015

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SparrowHawk Investments purchased 711 Fairview building in Park 88. *(DeKalb)*

Custom Aluminum Products completed 37,000 SF expansion. *(Genoa)*

Sahara Air Products completed 17,000 SF expansion. *(Sandwich)*

MED Alliance Group relocated medical device distribution center to Oakland Drive. *(Sycamore)*

Lighthouse Catholic Media expanded to Enterprise Drive in Airport North Industrial Park. *(DeKalb)*

EggToy Studios expanded into Sycamore Industrial Park. *(Sycamore)*

Wehrli Custom Fabrication relocated performance diesel operations to Borden Avenue. *(Sycamore)*

Installation Services acquired building/relocated communications tower business. *(Sycamore)*

Whiskey Acres Distilling Company established tasting room/production facility. *(Afton Township)*

Prairie State Winery expanded tasting room. *(Genoa)*

The Forge Brewhouse established. *(Sycamore)*

Commercial/Institutional

Ellwood Steak & Fish House established. *(DeKalb)*

Hauser Ross Eye Institute constructed new clinic on Gateway Drive. *(Sycamore)*

Fatty's Pub & Grille completed 2,000 SF Novak Room expansion. *(DeKalb)*

Acquaviva Restaurant & Winery expanded. *(Sycamore)*

Turner Law Offices expanded/remodeled. *(Sycamore)*

Corner Grill on Main expanded. *(Genoa)*

AB Exteriors expanded in Sandwich Commons Commercial Park. *(Sandwich)*

Smoke on the Green opened. *(Sandwich)*

Dearborn's Café opened. *(Sandwich)*

Dollar General developed in Bull Run Industrial Park. *(Kirkland)*

Oak Crest Retirement Center completed 70,000 SF expansion. *(DeKalb)*

Win Aviation completed 15,000 SF hangar expansion. *(DeKalb Taylor Municipal Airport)*

Genoa Public Library expanded. *(Genoa)*

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DeKalb County Enterprise Zone Application prepared/filed. (*DeKalb County*)

SK Express expanded to Dietz Avenue manufacturing facility. (*DeKalb*)

84 Lumber re-opened distribution center. (*Hinckley*)

Alfredo's Iron Works, Inc. acquired/expanded into new fabrication facility. (*Cortland*)

Superior Industrial Equipment acquired additional facility in Sycamore Prairie Business Park. (*Sycamore*)

Barliant acquired/relocated to Sandwich Industrial Park from Yorkville. (*Sandwich*)

Vac-U-Lok relocated Enterprise Avenue from Rockford. (*DeKalb*)

Banner Up Signs remodeled/expanded operations. (*Sycamore*)

Elburn Coop grain drying and storage plant expanded. (*Malta*)

Barliant acquired/relocated to new facility from Yorkville. (*Sandwich*)

Quality Team-1 established in Sycamore Industrial Park. (*Sycamore*)

Quality Recycling acquired new facility/relocated from Chicago Heights. (*Cortland*)

Conex Cable expanded. (*DeKalb*)

Commercial/Institutional

Hampton Inn opened on Annie Glidden Road. (*DeKalb*)

Resource Bank acquired/expanded new branch facilities. (*Shabbona & Somonauk*)

Texas Roadhouse opened. (*Sycamore*)

Culver's restaurant established. (*DeKalb*)

Acquaviva Winery restaurant location opened. (*Sycamore*)

Prairie State Winery acquired/expanded to new location. (*Genoa*)

Cademon Brewing established. (*Genoa*)

Mustang Bar & Grill established. (*Malta*)

South Moon BBQ acquired/expanded to new location. (*Hinckley*)

Angie's Bakery established. (*Sandwich*)

Lloyd Landscaping and Garden Center established/redeveloped new facility. (*Genoa*)

I'm One Restaurant and Bar established. (*Sandwich*)

Frontier Communications retail outlet established. (*DeKalb*)

Latsis Bakery established. (*Genoa*)

University Plaza redevelopment. (*DeKalb*)

Genoa Public Library expanded. (*Genoa*)

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2013

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- Nehring Electric** constructed new headquarters manufacturing facility. *(DeKalb)*
- The Suter Company** completed expansion of headquarters/food processing plant. *(Sycamore)*
- DeKalb Forge** expanded operations drop forge operations. *(DeKalb)*
- ENCAP** expanded to new Wagner Court facility developed by **Russ Smith**. *(DeKalb)*
- DEVNET** acquired/expanded to facility in Sycamore Prairie Business Park. *(Sycamore)*

Commercial/Institutional

- Valley West Community Hospital** \$11 million Patient Wing expansion completed. *(Sandwich)*
- Faranda's Banquet Center** developed in Downtown DeKalb. *(DeKalb)*
- Resource Bank** constructed new branch bank. *(Shabbona)*
- Hintzche Fertilizer** constructed new office building. *(Kirkland)*
- Piggly Wiggly** established. *(Genoa)*
- Casey's General Store and Gas Station** locations established. *(Sandwich, Sycamore, and Waterman)*
- Dunkin' Donuts** and **Jersey Mike's Subs** established. *(DeKalb)*
- Brookview Center** retail center developed. *(DeKalb)*
- Commercial Center** at IL 23/Gateway Drive developed. *(Sycamore)*
- New **Kishwaukee College Student Center** completed. *(Malta)*
- New **DeKalb Police Station** constructed. *(DeKalb)*
- Chessick Practice Center** constructed / **Gilbert Hall** redeveloped into dormitories. *(NIU)*