

# Randolph County Developments

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## Axium Packaging Chooses Randolph

Axium Packaging, an Ohio-based specialized packaging manufacturer, has selected Randolph County for its new manufacturing plant. The company plans to invest \$36 million in real and personal property and plans to create 129 new jobs paying an average wage of \$47,938. Axium uses advanced blow molding technologies to serve the personal care, household chemical, over-the-counter pharmaceutical, and food industries. The EDC would like to thank its partners Randolph County, the City of Archdale, and Samet Corporation for their collaborative efforts in putting together the Eden Terrace site in Archdale, where Axium will locate. Axium CFO, Ven Bhindwallam, highlighted the build-ready nature of this site as a key factor in attracting the company to Randolph County. We are excited to welcome Axium Packaging to North Carolina and look forward to helping them grow right here in The Heart of North Carolina.



Axium's Bartlett, Illinois Plant

## Business News & Announcements



Earlier this month, **Black Powder Smokehouse** opened a second location in Asheboro at 516 S Fayetteville St. The first location is in Jamestown. The restaurant offers a variety of smoked meat and side options, that change daily, and sell until they run out. We are excited to support a new local restaurant.



**Klausner Home Furnishings** has [appointed](#) a new COO, Walt Hammond. Hammond has over 25 years of experience in manufacturing, having previously worked at Thomasville Furniture and Bassett Furniture. Most recently, Hammond served as VP of Manufacturing Operations at Endura Products. Hammond is a Triad native and attended NC State University for his undergraduate degree and Wake Forest for a Master of Business Administration.

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## County and EDC Win Award from North Carolina Railroad Company

Randolph County and Randolph EDC [recently](#) won an award from the North Carolina Railroad Company's 2022 Build Ready Site Program. This award of \$500,000 will support the EDC's work on a future site near the I-74 Industrial Park. Through a competitive application process EDC staff, led by Crystal Gettys, presented the site plans to the Railroad Company. Winning this award will help the EDC's ongoing site development efforts, and will ensure that Randolph County continues to be competitive in attracting new industries.

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## Randolph EDC News

- EDC President Kevin Franklin has been busy over the last six months attending classes as a part of the NC State Workforce Development Leadership Initiative. We are proud to announce that Franklin has graduated from this program and is now a Certified Workforce Developer. This program bolsters our office's ability to address workforce problems in Randolph County and provides access to new resources. Read more about the initiative here: <https://iei.ncsu.edu/2022/06/22/nc-workforce-development-leadership-initiative-launches-this-fall/>
- Our Business Recruitment Director, Crystal Gettys, recently attended the International Battery Show in Orlando, Florida. Gettys represented Randolph County along with other Economic Developers from across the State to market North Carolina to battery manufacturers and suppliers. This was the second time North Carolina had a presence at the trade show, following up on last year's successful attendance.



- County and Town of Liberty officials recently visited the Toyota Megastore to receive updates on construction. The first building is under roof, the second building has walls being put up, and the footings for building three are beginning to be put in place. Altogether this will total around 3 million square feet of floor space. Toyota remains on schedule to begin production in 2025.



- The County recently completed the purchase of thirty acres in the future I74 Industrial Center as well as a small parcel for a future lift station. Water and sewer design is expected to be completed by June or July, and construction will begin in the early fall. Once complete, this industrial center will provide highly marketable space for new businesses interested in our area.

## **EDC Partnership News**

The Randolph County Partnership is the member organization of the EDC. Through annual dues, our members invest in economic development in Randolph County by supporting marketing, recruitment, existing business and industry services, and industrial product development. Partner members are [listed on the EDC website](#), included in existing business and industry directories, and they benefit from services and referrals from the EDC.

We would like to highlight our new Partnership members, **Elon Aviation LLC**, **TRC Staffing Services**, and **HICAPS, Inc.** [Elon Aviation, LLC](#) is a flight school and aircraft rental company based in Greensboro and Burlington. [TRC Staffing Services](#) provides workforce management solutions to companies across the Triad. [HICAPS Inc.](#) is a full-service Project Management Company specializing in Construction Management, Building Diagnostics, & Public Safety Telecommunications.

We greatly appreciate recent **Partnership renewals** by the companies listed below. We currently have 118 [private sector members](#) and always welcome new partners. Please direct membership inquiries to Lisa Bennett at 336-626-2233 or [lbennett@rcedc.com](mailto:lbennett@rcedc.com).

<p><b>Diamond (\$2,500)</b> Technimark</p> <p><b>Gold (\$1,000)</b> Elon Aviation LLC</p> <p><b>Silver (\$500)</b> Randolph Land Development TRC Staffing Services Metals, USA Allen Tate Relocation Aeolus Filter Corporation</p>	<p><b>Bronze (\$250)</b> ARC-Markham Metals, Inc. D.H. Griffin Companies Dynamic Quest Elastic Therapy, Inc. /DJO Global Four Seasons Furniture Freeman Kennett Architects HICAPS, Inc. PrintLogic, LLC Ralph’s Frame Shop Tower Components, Inc Randolph Packing Co., Inc.</p>
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