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Omnichannel grocery retailer deepens presence in the Carolinas and Georgia

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- By the end of 2026, Food Lion will have opened 10 new stores, propelling future growth.
- New store designs offer an easy, fresh and affordable omnichannel shopping experience.
- Through the brand's hunger relief platform, Food Lion Feeds, each new store will support local food banks and community partners to help nourish neighbors facing food insecurity.

SALISBURY, N.C., Sept. 15, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Food Lion continues its momentum of growth with additional new store openings through the end of 2026. The omnichannel grocery retailer began the year with [four new store openings](#) and will finish strong with an additional six new locations across the Carolinas and Georgia. This growth will serve as a runway into 2027, as the company prepares to open more new stores within its 10-state footprint. Food Lion's expansion plans reflect the brand's ongoing commitment to serving more towns and cities with fresh, affordable groceries and a convenient omnichannel shopping experience, whenever or wherever customers choose to shop.

"Each new store is designed to meet our customers' evolving needs," said Greg Finchum, President, Food Lion. "The growth we're experiencing in 2026 creates strong momentum for next year and beyond. Our associates look forward to welcoming neighbors into these new stores and continuing to nourish families with the easy and affordable shopping experience they count on from Food Lion."

Food Lion store openings planned in 2026:

- Summerfield, N.C. – Sept. 23
- Charlotte, N.C. – Oct. 7
- Lavonia, Ga. – Oct. 14
- Greenville, S.C. – October 2026
- Hilton Head, S.C. – November 2026
- Wren, S.C. – December 2026

In each new store, Food Lion customers will experience an easy-to-shop layout, wide assortment, and pickup and home delivery options through the [Food Lion To Go](#) website or app. Partnerships with Instacart, DoorDash and Uber Eats will provide neighbors with even more convenient ways to shop for what they need.

From fresh produce and quality meats to ready-to-eat meals and everyday essentials, these new Food Lion stores will help nourish neighbors at affordable prices, further strengthening local economies, creating jobs and reducing food insecurity.

Easy, fresh and affordable offerings in each store

- The assortment includes ready-to-eat, ready-to-cook and ready-to-heat meal solutions; fresh produce, including in-store prepared fresh-cut fruit; quality meats; and a variety of organic, gluten-free and plant-based items.
- Convenient [Food Lion To Go](#) Pickup and/or Home Delivery gives customers the flexibility to order online through the website or app with the same great prices and fresh products available in-store.
- Self-checkout lanes are available alongside traditional cashier-assisted checkout for a faster and more flexible shopping experience.
- Nature's Promise® is Food Lion's natural, organic brand that can be found throughout the store. It offers wholesome products made without artificial flavors, preservatives or synthetic colors.
- Food Lion's [Local Goodness](#) program is represented in each store and includes a variety of regional items sourced locally from growers and manufacturers. These products reflect the heart of the community. The six stores opening before the end of the year will feature suppliers from the Carolinas and Georgia.

As Food Lion continues its longstanding commitment to affordable pricing and caring for its neighbors, each new store will support hunger-relief efforts and partner with area food banks and community organizations to ensure food insecure families have access to nutritious food. The retailer's hunger relief platform, [Food Lion Feeds](#), has donated more than 1.5 billion meals to individuals and families since 2014 and has committed to doubling its efforts by donating a total of 3 billion meals by 2032.

About Food Lion

Food Lion is an omnichannel grocery retailer committed to nourishing its neighbors. More than 82,000 associates across 1,100+ stores deliver an easy, fresh and affordable shopping experience throughout 10 Southeastern and Mid-Atlantic states. With a focus on hunger relief, Food Lion is a pioneer in food rescue. Since 2014, the company's hunger relief platform Food Lion Feeds has donated more than 1.5 billion meals to those who are food insecure. The retailer has committed to donate 3 billion meals by 2032. Founded and based in Salisbury, N.C., since 1957, Food Lion is a company of Ahold Delhaize USA, the U.S. division of Zaandam-based Ahold Delhaize. For more information, visit [foodlion.com](#).

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