

# Walmart Subsidiary Announces Major Investment and Plans to Create More Than 300 Jobs in Gaston County



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Walmart, Inc. (NYSE: WMT) plans to open a new fulfillment center in Gaston County. The estimated \$300 million investment will create more than **300 new jobs in Gaston County**. The 1.2 million–square-foot facility, located at 799 Sara Lee Access Road, is expected to open in 2027. The new jobs will generate an annual payroll impact in the community of more than estimated \$20 million per year.

The new Walmart fulfillment center in Kings Mountain will ship large items such as patio furniture and lawnmowers directly to customers as soon as next-day. Walmart, Inc. announced a **total investment of \$300 million** in the project – to include the purchase of the existing Kings Mountain Corporate Center, an additional **\$58 million to upfit the building, and \$90 million in machinery and equipment**.

“As our eCommerce business continues to grow, this new fulfillment center will play a critical role in helping us serve customers faster,” said Karisa Sprague, senior vice president, Supply Chain, Walmart U.S. “We’re excited to join the Kings Mountain community and proud to create long-term career opportunities where associates can grow and build their future with Walmart.”

“Our ability to have business-ready locations continues to make Gaston County a top-tier destination for companies looking to expand,” Gaston County Board of Commissioner Chairman Chad Brown said. “Having a Walmart subsidiary make such a major investment in our county is a testament to what a special environment we have created here. We’re excited to welcome Walmart Fulfillment Services to the western end of our county and to match them with the workforce they will need to make this investment a complete success.”

Gaston County competed with locations in South Carolina to secure this project, which was code named Project Self. The Gaston County Board of Commissioners and the City of Kings Mountain have approved a Level Four incentive grant in support of the project. The project is expected to generate substantial ad valorem tax, sales tax, and other revenues for the County while establishing itself as a long-term partner in the community. The project will be facilitated, in part, by a Job Development Investment Grant (JDIG) officially awarded to Walmart Fulfillment Services, LLC. JDIG projects result in positive net tax revenue to the state treasury, even after taking into consideration the grant’s reimbursement payments to a given company.

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The Kings Mountain Corporate Center was developed in a joint venture between The Keith Corporation and Matthews Management, Inc. and was billed as the “largest speculative industrial facility under construction on the East Coast,” when it was being completed in 2023. The facility encompasses 1.2 million square feet and is strategically located on Canterbury Road, offering convenient access to Interstate 85 and U.S. 74—an essential advantage for distribution operations.



“As a city seeking strategic growth opportunities, today is a stellar day to celebrate the power of synergy, and the realization of a project more than a year in the making; one which promises to bring significant new investment and hundreds of quality jobs to our much deserved community. On behalf of the City of Kings Mountain, we are elated that Walmart Fulfillment Services has chosen to locate its new distribution center in the Kings Mountain Corporate Center facility. We are grateful for all the key partners, both locally and at the state level, who were instrumental in the vision, planning and execution which has made the dream of this project come true,” said Kings Mountain Mayor, Rob Wagman.

The Gaston County Economic Development Commission would like to welcome Walmart Fulfillment Services to Gaston County and thank our partners in this successful location – the North Carolina Department of Commerce, the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina (EDPNC), the North Carolina Community College System, Gaston College, the Gaston County Board of Commissioners, the City of Kings Mountain, and The Keith Corporation.

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