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# Royal Cup brews up expansion

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**Royal Cup Coffee Inc.** has more than doubled its local distribution operation to about 42,000 square feet in ProLogis' Charlotte Distribution Center.

The Birmingham, Ala.-based coffee-vending company has 25 employees in Charlotte and has been adding field personnel to accommodate business growth.



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Royal Cup, which had been in 20,000 square feet at 2205 Distribution Center Drive, recently relocated within the park to the larger space at 3010 Hutchinson-McDonald Road.

The company's Charlotte operation serves customers in the Carolinas and Savannah, Ga. Its client base is primarily in the food-services industry, including hotels, resorts, restaurants and health-care facilities.

The new location features a mini-cafe where customers can taste new blends and roasts. It also includes an equipment- and product-training area for customers and employees, says Scotty Kimble, local Royal Cup distribution manager.

Warren Snowdon of Commercial Carolina Corp. represented Royal Cup in lease negotiations. Reid Dunbar of ProLogis represented the park.

**KB opens Prosperity Ridge**

**KB Home** will host a grand opening Saturday at its newest Charlotte community, Prosperity Ridge, a 164-unit, single-family home development at 100019 Rocky Ford Club Road.

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Prosperity Ridge will offer seven, two-story floor plans for homes ranging from 2,000 to 4,000 square feet. Prices begin at about \$200,000.

The community, KB's 15th in the Charlotte area, is minutes from Interstate 85 at W.T. Harris Boulevard, and 10 miles from a future Interstate 485 interchange at Prosperity Church Road.

### News & notes

**Worldwide Medical Inc.** recently paid \$423,000 for a 7,500-square-foot building at 4401 Chesapeake Drive and has moved its local operations there from 239 Iverson Way.

The company provides medical-monitoring equipment throughout the United States and abroad, primarily in Central and South America.

Frank McCleneghan of **Piedmont Properties** represented Worldwide Medical in negotiations on the purchase. Christine Randolph of Southeast Commercial Real Estate Group represented the seller, Pneumafil Corp.

The **CORFAC International** real estate group, whose local affiliate is Piedmont Properties, recently received designation as the 15th-most-recognizable real estate brand in the country.

The Lipsey Co., a commercial real estate training and consulting firm, awarded CORFAC the designation in its annual ranking of the top 25 industry leaders. CORFAC ranked No. 24 last year.

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