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## Convenience store, deli coming to the Banks

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A new market and convenience store is opening in the former Orange Leaf space at the Banks.

Street Corner, a Topeka, Kan.-based specialty market that sells fresh and packaged food, deli items, craft beer and coffee, is expected to open this spring in 1,500 square feet at 160 Walnut St.

Street Corner is a specialty-based convenience store franchise with 40 locations nationwide. The Banks location is expected to employ 10 people and stock a variety of locally sourced items.



COURTESY URBANCINCY.COM | BRIAN SPITZIG Street Corner, a convenience store, will open this spring at the Orange Leaf space at the Banks this spring.

"People are coming back to downtown Cincinnati, from Millennials and other young professionals to empty nesters who want to live

near where they work, dine and shop," Peter LaColla, CEO of Street Corner, said in a news release. "But these city center, mixed-use developments are often lacking when it comes to traditional grocery stores. We're catering to those built-in urban populations with a combination of convenience, grocery and fresh food."

Customers will eventually be able to shop online and pick up their items at Street Corner through a new portal that's currently being built.

Banks Phase I owner Nicol Investment Co. associate Laura Griffin said Orange Leaf decided not to renew its lease.

Following a rash of restaurant and venue closures at the Banks, the development has built up a roster of new and upcoming tenants, which include Howl at the Moon/Splitsville Luxury Lanes, Pies and Pints, BurgerFi, Tiger Dumpling and Taste of Belgium.

"Adding a fresh market to that mix fills an important need as the dynamic changes from a game-day and nighttime focus to an all-day live/work/play environment," Griffin said in a news release.

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