

NEWS RELEASE



Charlotte Bound for 2026

June 10, 2025 - Exposition Development Company, Inc. (EDC) has announced that after six editions in Hickory, North Carolina, the show will be moving down the road to Charlotte, North Carolina, for the 2026 edition.

The decision to move Furniture Manufacturing Expo to Charlotte results in the need to keep expanding the attendee base for further growth to provide better ROI for exhibitors. While the show currently welcomes hundreds of key decisions makers from leading furniture manufacturers each year, this move will make it easier for those manufacturers outside of North Carolina to attend as well.

For any attendees not within driving distance of Hickory, North Carolina, they already must fly into Charlotte and then drive to Hickory. This will allow those attendees the advantage of now being able to stay in Charlotte without the added drive/costs to continue on to Hickory.

While the heart of the furniture manufacturing industry continues to revolve around North Carolina, a significant amount of manufacturing is also done in the Northeast, Mid-West, Texas, and California. The show's goal is to expand and grow to be a must attend resource for all furniture manufacturers in the United States.

With further discussions between show management, flagship exhibitors, and the Advisory Board, the consensus is that moving to Charlotte will allow for easier show access for the furniture manufacturing industry and significant growth in both exhibitor and attendee numbers.

Furniture Manufacturing Expo 2026 will take place June 3-4 at the Charlotte Convention Center in Charlotte, North Carolina.

For more information on the show, visit www.FurnitureManufacturingExpo.com.

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