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this Holiday Season

The Holiday season is a busy time for everyone. Between holiday parties, work events, family gatherings, and the holiday itself - it can be overwhelming. Fortunately, finding a local spot to do your food shopping or pick up some baked goods is easy - Framingham has a number of options for all of your holiday food shopping needs.

To make things even easier, we have included a list for you. Take a look, find your local favorite or try something new.

Bazaar West

A local, eastern European market.

855 Worcester Rd, Framingham, MA 01701

Ph: (508) 872-7272

Cakes by J and J

Custom cakes created and inspired by your unique taste, event and budget.

497 Brook St, Framingham, MA 01701

Ph: (508) 405-4258

Chocolate Therapy

Hand-made chocolates with innovative flavors.

60 Worcester Road, Framingham

Ph: (508) 875-1571

Framingham Baking Co

A family-owned bakery with Italian bread, rolls & sheet pizza, plus cookies & croissants.

840 Waverly St, Framingham, MA 01702

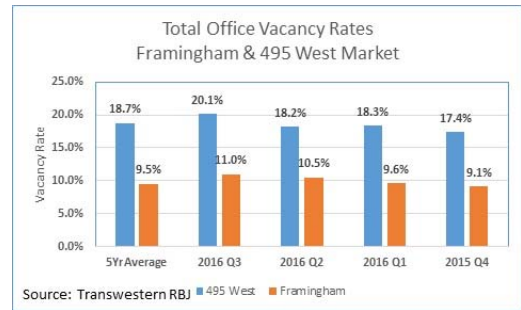
Ph: (508) 875-4125

Formosa Asian Market

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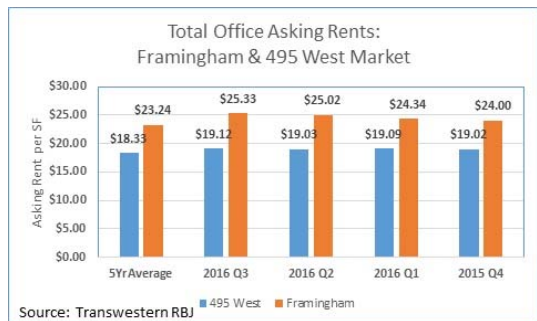
The latest commercial real estate market data, provided by Transwestern|RBJ, highlights Framingham's continued strength in the Metrowest region. Through the end of the 3rd quarter of 2016, overall Framingham's office vacancy rates - at 11 percent - continue to remain significantly lower than the 20.1 percent posted by the larger 495 West region.

Tighter vacancy rates are reflected in higher asking rents. In Framingham, 3rd quarter asking rents averaged \$25.33, significantly higher than the \$19.12 average for the 495 West region.



This data points to the ongoing advantage of locating in Framingham, the demographic and economic center of a fast-growing Metrowest region.

That advantage is reflected in rising Framingham commercial property values. Town Assessor data show that between Fiscal Year 2016 and Fiscal Year 2017, Framingham's



commercial market values increased 12 percent. During the same period, industrial property values increased 7 percent.

Commercial property growth was driven by several recent investments and sales, including Lifetime Fitness' newly opened Cochituate Road facility, Yale Lighting's recent Worcester Road purchase, and the sale of 11 Speen Street, a multi-tenant building with excellent MassPike Exit 13 access.

Jack's Abby To Continue Expansion in Downtown Framingham

An ethnic specialty food store with a particular emphasis on Taiwanese, Chinese, and other Asian food products.

271 Worcester Rd, Framingham, MA 01701
Ph: (508) 872-1088

Indian Food & Spices

A local, Indian market.

Old Trolley Square, 855 Worcester Rd, Framingham, MA 01701
Ph: (508) 628-3100

Padaria Brasil Bakery

A Bakery providing authentic Brazilian baked goods and foods, making bread, baked goods, pastries, desserts, cakes, sandwiches, and burgers.

165 Concord St, Framingham, MA 01702
Ph: (508) 872-2677

Panera Bread

Counter-serve bakery/cafe chain serving sandwiches, salads & baked goods, known for its bread.

Framingham Mall Shopping Center, 400 Cochituate Rd, Framingham, MA 01701
Ph: (508) 626-3636

Pao Brazil Bakery

A bakery featuring high quality breads in addition to Brazilian Food and Pastries.

596 Waverly St, Framingham, MA 01702
Ph: (508) 875-4027

Seabra Foods

Internationally-inspired neighborhood market.

Waverly Plaza, 208 Waverly St,

Shortly after opening its [patio space](#) this summer, Jack's Abby Brewing Company recently announced that it will be expanding its space in Downtown Framingham at 100 Clinton Street to an adjacent property at 102 Clinton Street.

The Town's Planning Board approved plans for the restaurant and brewery to lease and develop 102 Clinton Street, a vacant 63,000 square foot building. The company plans to commit much of the space for additional manufacturing and to use as a warehouse. The owners also plan to add a function hall to their existing tasting room while adding tasting space. The restaurant/brewery is also planning to add parking to their current facility, going from 163 parking spaces to 220 spaces. More information on their expansion plans can be found at the [MetroWest Daily News](#).

In 2015, the Board of Selectmen and Town Meeting members agreed to a tax-increment financing (TIF) deal with Jack's Abby, where the Town agreed to provide commercial property tax exemptions over 7 years. In return, the company committed to investing \$6 million in improvements, to retaining 19 permanent, full-time jobs and creating 35 permanent full-time jobs, and to maintaining their corporate headquarters at 100 Clinton Street. The company reports its job count is now close to 100. "Jack's Abby is building on their success - and proving the potential of our downtown," said Arthur Robert, Director of Community & Economic Development.

Jack's Abby was founded in 2011 by the Hendler brothers, and has gained a following among beer aficionados.

More than 1,300 Participate in Framingham Turkey Classic 5K Road Race



On Thanksgiving morning, more than 1,300 individuals participated in Framingham's 22nd annual Turkey Classic

5K Road Race. The event, which is sponsored by the Framingham Police Association and Framingham Fire Department Local 1652 along with a number of corporate partners, this year raised funds for the Veterans Outreach

Framingham, MA 01702
Ph: (508) 665-4195

[Super Stop & Shop](#)

Supermarket chain with house-brand groceries, organics & more.

Framingham Plaza Shopping Center,
19 Temple St, Framingham, MA
01702
Ph: (508) 879-4044

235 Old Connecticut Path,
Framingham, MA 01701
Ph: (508) 820-0900

Tesoro Supermarket

A local Spanish market.

80 Hollis St, Framingham, MA 01702
Ph: (508) 626-1981

[T J's Neighborhood Market](#)

A local market featuring rotisserie chicken and porchetta as well as a full line of Boar's Head cold cuts, fresh made subs, wraps and salad.

818 Waverly St, Framingham, MA
01702
Ph: (508) 665-6793

[Trader Joe's](#)

Grocery chain with a variety of signature items, plus produce, dairy & more.

659 Worcester Rd, Framingham, MA
01701
Ph: (508) 935-2931

[Waverly Market](#)

A family owned and operated Italian food market that has stood its ground since 1929.

684 Waverly St, Framingham, MA
01702
Ph: (508) 875-4516

[Whole Foods Market](#)

Center - MetroWest Chapter, which provide critical services to MetroWest area veterans.

More information on the annual event can be found at www.framinghamturkeyclassic.com or at the event's [Facebook](#) page.

Eco-minded chain with natural and organic grocery items, housewares and other products.

575 Worcester Rd, Framingham, MA
01701
Ph: (508) 628-9525

Framingham EDIC

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The Framingham Economic Development and Industrial Corporation (EDIC) was established in 1995 to stimulate economic development and expand employment opportunities in the Town of Framingham in accordance with the town's approved economic development plans.

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