

# WHAT'S GOING THERE IN DELAWARE

## Dover industrial park gets \$1 million state grant

A Delaware LLC received a \$1 million state grant Monday to support an industrial park in Dover.

Stoltzfus LLC plans to build a 280,000-square-foot industrial building, a 40,000 square-foot building and four 9,900 square-foot buildings on a 67-acre property. The site is at 144 Fork Branch Rd. off Route 14, the Delaware Business Times reported.

'With convenient rail access this investment positions our region as an ideal location for growth and innovation,' Kent Economic Partnership Executive Director Linda Parkowski said in a statement. 'This investment is a game-changer for Kent County and the State of Delaware, providing an excellent opportunity to create new jobs, attract new businesses, and strengthen our economy.'

Market studies Kent County officials have had performed have identified industrial development as a key and underserved sector. As demand for warehouses continues in New Castle County and throughout the region, market observers expect it to trickle down to the lower parts of the state.

An issue for Kent County to this point has been having development sites 'shovel ready.' The Stoltzfus project received money from the state's site readiness fund. The fund became available in 2022 to support site work prior to construction.

## Milton approves plan for Royal Farms

Royal Farms plans to build a convenience store and gas station at Route 16 and Union Street Extended.

The Milton Planning and Zoning Commission approved the company's site plan last week. The commission granted a special-use permit and preliminary plan approval in October 2021.

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