

EDITOR'S PICK

## Photos: Sneak peek inside the new West Side Bazaar

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The new West Side Bazaar on Niagara Street is nearing completion of its construction. Ahead of its grand opening Oct. 31, the new space opened its doors for a media preview on Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2023.

### Curb appeal



Landscapers work outside the new West Side Bazaar during a media preview of construction progress at the restaurant and small business incubator, which is slated to open Oct. 31.

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## Upper level



An overview of the new West Side Bazaar during a media preview of construction progress.

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## Grand staircase



Carolynn Welch, executive director of Westminister Economic Development Initiative, on the main stairwell in the new West Side Bazaar. "People who come in now to this new space when it's finally open will be blown away by the food options at their fingertips," she said during a sneak peek of the space Wednesday.

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## Restaurant row



Rows of restaurant counters will accommodate customers who come to sample the international fare in the new West Side Bazaar on Niagara Street.

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# Timeline mural



Mike Romeo of Amherst Alarm installs the access control for an office next to a mural in the new West Side Bazaar.

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# Skylight



The skylight in the center of the new West Side Bazaar.

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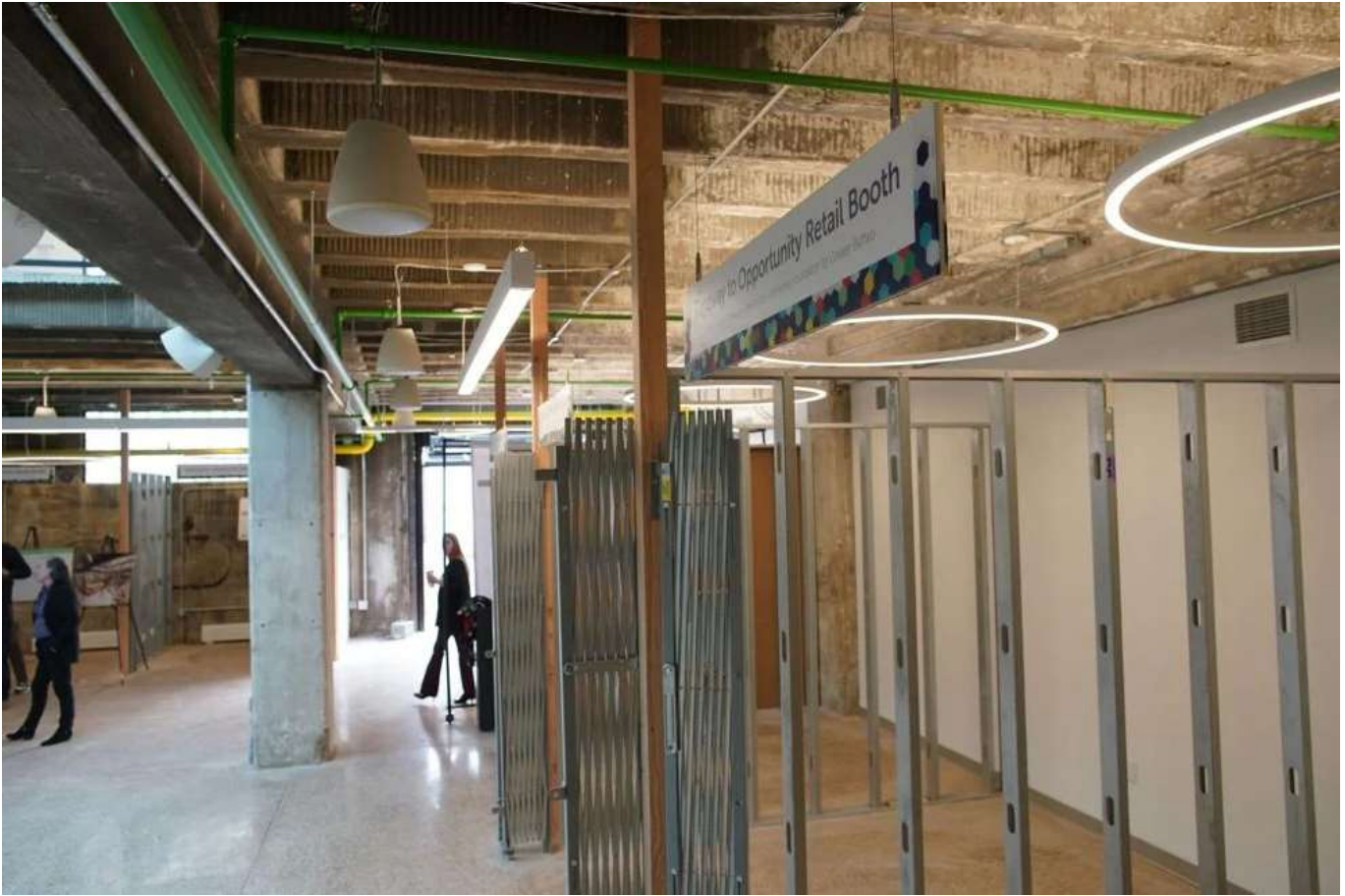
## Light detail



Lighting in a retail booth in the new West Side Bazaar.

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# Under construction



Frames are in place where rows of retail booths will be in new West Side Bazaar.

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## Descending view



An overview from the top of the stairs inside the new West Side Bazaar.

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# Overview



An overview from the second floor of the new West Side Bazaar.

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## Ready for the chef



The rows of restaurant counters in the new West Side Bazaar.

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## Eight restaurants



Restaurant counters where patrons will order food at the new West Side Bazaar.

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## Counter service



The rows of restaurant counters in the new West Side Bazaar, and its massive new kitchen beyond.

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## Behind the scenes



The entrance to the kitchen in the new West Side Bazaar.

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## Sprawling space



The massive new commercial kitchen that will be used by the restaurants at the new West Side Bazaar.

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## Stainless steel



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# West Side Bazaar nearing opening day



## Bootleg history



A mural featuring the history of the building behind the bar at the new West Side Bazaar.

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## Toledo



Detail of an antique scale on display, a remnant from the building's bootleg history, in the new West Side Bazaar.

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## Community room



A view of flexible community space in the new West Side Bazaar during a media preview of construction progress.

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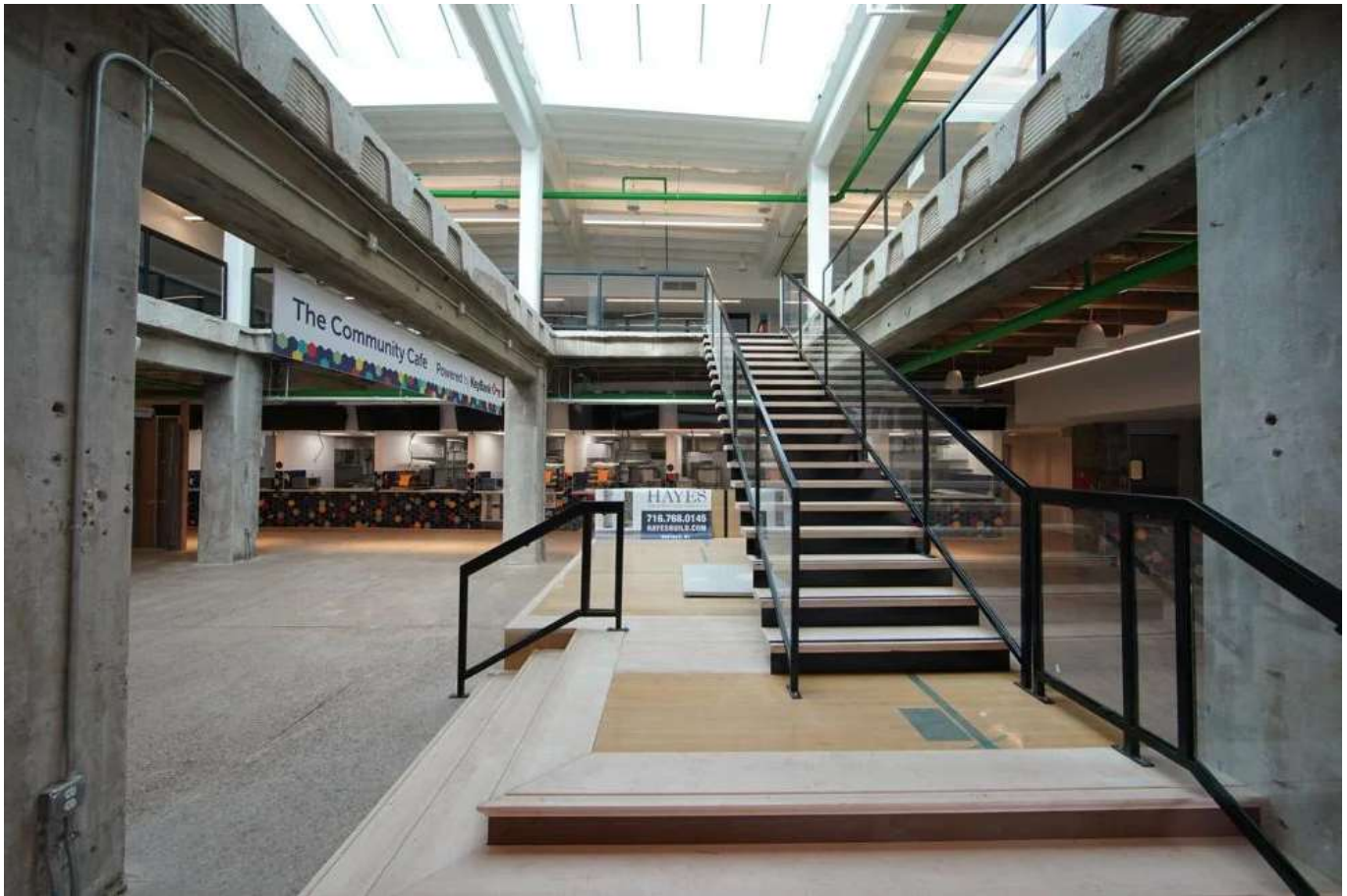
## Commissary kitchen



The "Hopes and Dreams Training Kitchen" on the second floor of the new West Side Bazaar.  
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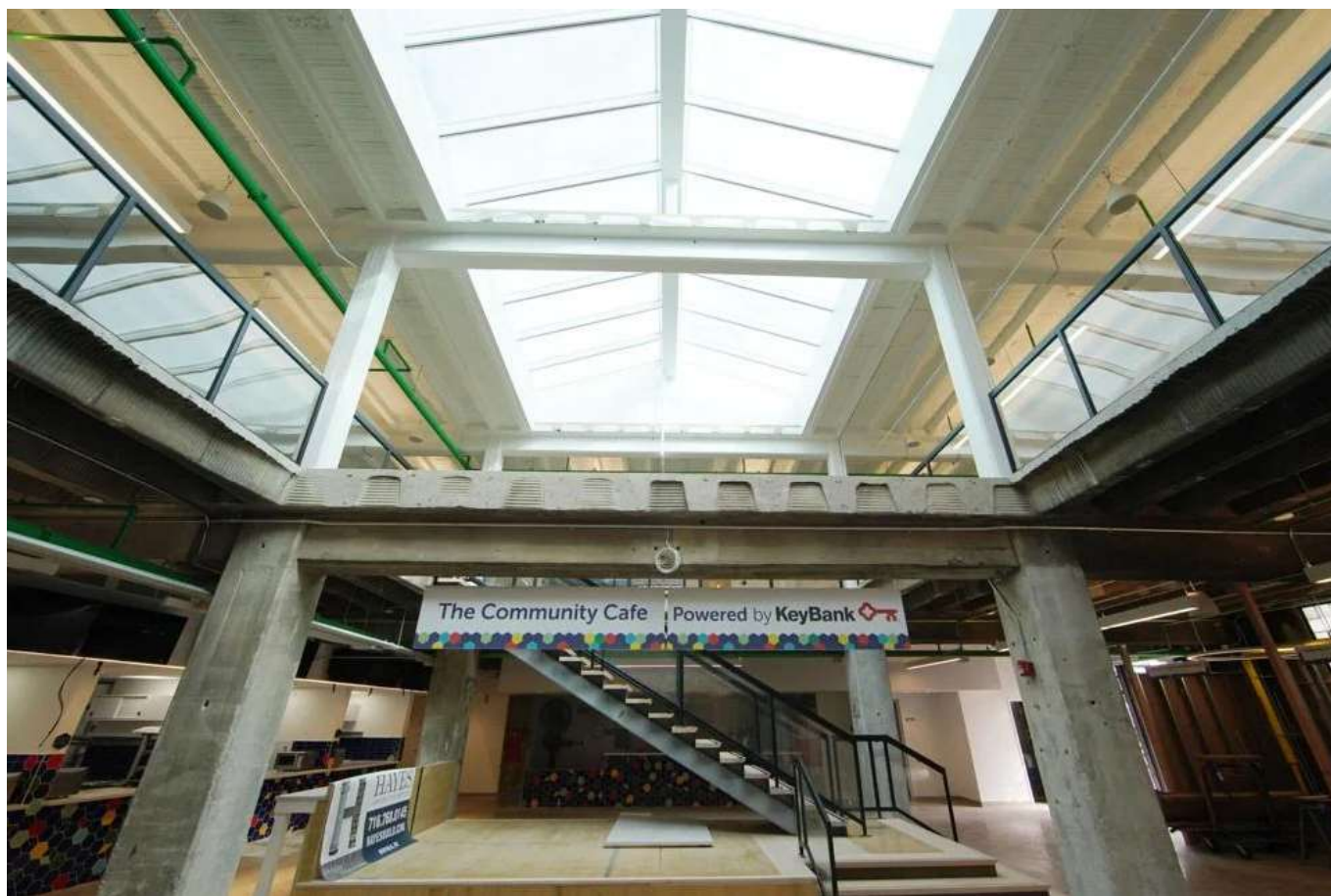
# Centerpiece



An overview of the new West Side Bazaar during a media preview of construction progress at the restaurant and small business incubator, which is slated to open Oct. 31.

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# Looking up



An overview of the new West Side Bazaar.

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