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our North Carolina communities

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Co-working Spaces

Carolina Coworking recently launched a grand opening in Downtown Chapel Hill with over 7,000 square feet of coworking space, private offices and a conference center. They are creating a community of growing businesses and creative entrepreneurs with space-as-a-service.

Founder and Community Director Gregg Gerdau said, "We envision engaging our local community with frequent open networking events, lunch-and-learn seminars and a great place to work across the street from one of the world's renowned research universities. Why just lease empty space when, by subscribing to Carolina Coworking, you can join a community of like-minded entrepreneurs and creatives collaborating with experts and professional resources."



Coworking spaces are essentially shared workspaces. They offer affordable office space for those looking to escape the isolation of a home office or coffee shop. Occupants typically are freelancers, entrepreneurs, start-ups and small teams who want to take advantage of a flexible space. In addition to culture, cost is another big draw. One of the advantages of these spaces is the ability to rent out only what you need vs. an entire pricey office space. Through various membership based models, costs vary and allow for flexibility. A team of researchers has been studying the effects of coworking on productivity and recently recounted some of their findings in the [Harvard Business Review](#).

In Orange County, there are approximately 8 co-working spaces to choose from and we've listed some of them here. In addition to office co-working, Piedmont Food and Processing Center and Midway Kitchen offer alternatives for those seeking a shared kitchen atmosphere.

Venue	Website	Contact Info	Address	Notes
Carolina Coworking Space	www.carolinacoworking.com	Phone: (919) 904-7009 Email: work@carolinacoworking.com	206 West Franklin Street Chapel Hill, NC 27516 Patio Entrance, Lower Level	Use the Coworking Space for the Day \$25 per Day Based on Availability Reserve a Day in Advance
Perch Studios	www.perch-coworking.com	(919) 260-5313	106 S. Greensboro St, Suite E, Carrboro	Membership based
Carrboro Creative Coworking	www.carrborocoworking.com	See website contact info	205 Lloyd Street, Suite 101, Carrboro	Drop in for \$25 per day
Regus	www.regus.com	(855) 400-3575	2 locations- 1011 S. Hamilton Rd and 1340 Environ Way Chapel Hill	Must contact directly. National company
Launch Chapel Hill	www.launchchapelhill.com/coworking-space	(919) 903-8462	321 W. Rosemary St Chapel Hill	3-month lease required. No drop in.
Youthworx on Main	www.youthworxonmain.org/wp/workspace	(919) 495-6205	117 W Main St, Carrboro	Drop In: Rooms rent for \$30 per hour or rent multiple spaces for \$50 per hour.
Cornerstone Workspace	www.cornerstoneworkspace.com/spaces	(919) 360-4068	976 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Chapel Hill	Drop in \$15-20 per day
C-3 Hillsborough	www.c3hillsborough.com	info@c3hillsborough.com	128 N. Churton St. Hillsborough	Drop in \$20 per day

C3 Hillsborough, located in the historic district of downtown Hillsborough, was created to provide a coworking space for local small businesses, entrepreneurs, freelancers and others in our local community. Their goal is to support the community and local economy. C3 Hillsborough has a membership option for everyone! They have ergonomic chairs, electric desks for seating or standing, high-speed internet, coffee, conference rooms and restaurants within walking distance.



Perch Studios in Carrboro also has a private office suite for startups and small businesses that features 24/7 access, a conference room and a phone booth. Owner, Betsey Elbogen, said that several small businesses use the space, including a boutique web business and a local plumbing business.

Carrboro Creative Coworking is a shared professional workspace with a community atmosphere. It is designed to meet the needs of microbusinesses, freelancers, home-office workers, entrepreneurs, startups, tech workers, writers, designers and other professionals whose work doesn't fit into a normal office template. Coworkers receive access to a reliable office space within a unique modern community.

Regus is an environmentally friendly center at East 54, located near the University of North Carolina campus, UNC Hospital system and downtown Chapel Hill.

Launch Chapel Hill has co-working space that also provides a **business accelerator** program. The 22-week program provides access to marketing, accounting and legal resources, individual mentorship, entrepreneurs-in-residence and a collaborative office space.

YouthWorx on Main is a youth-serving nonprofit collaborative powered by the PTA Thrift Shop and **Youth Forward**. It builds capacity for Triangle organizations through collaboration.



Cornerstone Work Space is located on a green patch on Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. The Workspace is a five minute drive to downtown Chapel Hill or I-40. It's directly on the free town bus line and neighbors the YMCA.

Share your thoughts with me [here](#),

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