

TJ Maxx, Bealls Outlet to locate in old Cornelia Kmart

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There aren't any more blue light specials, but there could be plenty of good deals coming soon to the old Kmart shopping center in Cornelia.

A commercial real estate firm in Atlanta announced this week that TJ Maxx and Bealls Outlet are opening up shop in the Habersham Village Shopping Center off of Highway 441. The discount retailers will rent two of the four 22,000-square-foot stores subdivided from the original Kmart space.

Vanguard Associates owns the property.

Franklin Street Director Sam Krueger represented Vanguard Associates in both leases, while Senior Vice President Monetha Cobb arranged the lease for Bealls Outlet.

Bealls Outlet is expected to open this fall, and TJ Maxx plans to open in the spring of 2022. With an existing lease by Planet Fitness, Habersham Village has one junior anchor space available to accommodate a tenant between 10,000 and 18,000 square feet.



Planet Fitness occupies the former Kmart Gardening Center space at Habersham Village. (Vanguard Associates)

“As we continue to navigate the retail market through the pandemic, the ability to be flexible and innovative through strategies like reimagining the use of vacant big-box spaces has been critical,” said Kreuger. “By subdividing this former Kmart space, we were able to bring more goods and services – and value – to Habersham Village and its surrounding community.”

Other tenants within the shopping center include Big Lots, Hibbett Sports, Anytime Fitness, Papa John’s, GNC, and Burger King.