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Rachel Torres Administrator Department of Labor Office of Job Corps 200 Constitution Ave. NW Washington, D.C. 20210

Administrator Torres.

For nearly eight years, the Department of Labor has failed to construct a new Job Corps Center in Atlanta. This is unacceptable as our workforce needs are huge and, in the meantime, the federal government has stranded a blighted, vacant facility. This urgent need is unmet, and the Department's process is extremely slow.

I ask that you provide answers to the below questions by July 14, 2023.

- 1. Will the location of the new Atlanta Job Corps Center remain at the previously committed location?
- 2. Please detail the updated timeline including demolition, construction, and completion.
- 3. Will the Office of Job Corps commit to repaying First Baptist Church of Red Oak's parking lot which was damaged during prior work on the Atlanta Job Corps Center?
- 4. Will the Office of Job Corps commit to cleaning and picking up litter from the property on a regular basis?
- 5. Will the Office of Job Corps be offering a temporary satellite campus until the Atlanta Job Corps Center is operational? If so, when, and where will that open?
- 6. Please provide a list of the training programs offered at the Atlanta Job Corps Center prior to its closure in 2017. Will the training programs remain the same in the new facility?
- 7. Will stakeholders be able to provide suggestions and comments on any new suggested training programs that will be offered at the Atlanta Job Corps Center? If so through what format?

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8. Will the Office of Job Corps commit to holding an in-person community meeting in the next few weeks with interested stakeholders?

I look forward to your response and to the Department's vigorous effort to complete this project.

Sincerely,

Jon Ossoff

United States Senator