

# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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## VIA EMAIL TRANSMISSION

Sean Dobson, CEO  
Main Street Renewal  
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Dear Mr. Dobson,

I write to request information about Main Street Renewal's operations in Georgia. The Government Accountability Office (GAO) has reported that "institutional investors" have purchased in bulk single-family homes in metro Atlanta, converting many of them into rentals.<sup>1</sup> GAO has further reported that institutional investors now hold a 25% share of the single-family rental market in metro Atlanta, the most impacted region in the country.<sup>2</sup>

Homeownership is the cornerstone of the American Dream. Yet, the Atlanta Journal-Constitution has reported that families struggle to compete in the housing market against corporations like Main Street Renewal.<sup>3</sup>

My office is investigating the impact on Georgia families of large corporate landlords and accordingly, I respectfully request the following information and documents to be produced **no later than July 1, 2025:**

### *I. Corporate Ownership*

1. Please list all Main Street Renewal's wholly and partly owned subsidiaries and affiliated companies, as well as all trade names, DBAs, or aliases used by Main Street Renewal to conduct business in Georgia.

### *II. Number of Properties in Georgia*

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.gao.gov/products/gao-24-106643>; <https://www.ajc.com/american-dream/investor-owned-houses-atlanta/> and <https://atlantaciviccircle.org/2024/03/05/corporate-landlords-own-outsize-portion-atlanta-housing-market/#:~:text=Study:%20Three%20corporate%20landlords%20anonymously%20own%20outsize,controls%207%2C171%2C%20and%20Amherst%20Holdings%20has%204%2C061.>

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1. According to public reports, as of February 2023, Main Street Renewal owned 5,743 homes in metro Atlanta.<sup>4</sup> How many single-family homes does Main Street Renewal now own in metro Atlanta?
2. How many single-family homes does Main Street Renewal now own in the state of Georgia? Please provide the number by Georgia county. Please also provide, by Georgia county, how many single-family homes are owned by Main Street Renewal's subsidiaries or affiliates, if applicable.

### *III. Property Acquisitions in Georgia*

1. For each year since 2009, how many single-family homes in Georgia purchased by Main Street Renewal were foreclosed homes?
2. What is the median price range in which Main Street Renewal purchases the most single-family homes?
3. Does Main Street Renewal get early access to home listings?

### *IV. Business Practices*

1. Please provide a copy of a Main Street Renewal standard lease for a single-family rental home in Georgia. If more than one version of a standard lease is used, please provide all versions. If there are multiple leases used to rent single-family rental homes in Georgia, please provide a copy of each nonstandard lease.
2. Please confirm that publicly available monthly leasing prices for Georgia single-family rental homes owned by Main Street Renewal include all mandatory recurring fees and charges.
3. Please provide a list of every mandatory one-time and recurring fee or charge that Main Street Renewal requires of single-family rental home residents in Georgia.
4. Within the last year, has Main Street Renewal received complaints from Georgia residents that it misrepresented the total monthly leasing price of a single-family rental home?
5. Please provide Main Street Renewal's policies regarding the return of security deposits to residents in Georgia.
6. Within the last year, how many complaints from residents of Georgia single-family rental homes has Main Street Renewal received that, without adequate justification, it has withheld residents' security deposits or charged residents costs for repair and maintenance?

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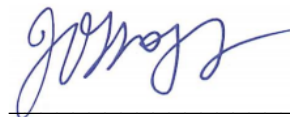
*V. Inspections, Maintenance, and Repairs*

1. Please provide Main Street Renewal's policies regarding pre-move in inspections.
2. Within the last year, how many complaints has Main Street Renewal received from Georgia residents that when they arrived at a home to move in, it was in significant disrepair?
3. Please provide Main Street Renewal's current policies on selecting and hiring individuals and vendors to conduct maintenance and repairs at single-family rental homes in Georgia.

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To expedite our investigative review, I respectfully request that you provide the material responsive to this request **no later than July 1, 2025**. Please contact my staff should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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U.S. Senator Jon Ossoff