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Local broker marketplaces known as Multiple Listing Services (MLSs) connect buyers and sellers of real estate in the U.S. through their respective agents. MLSs gives first-time, low-income and other buyers better access to the American dream of homeownership while also exposing a seller's property to the greatest number of potential buyers.

WHAT THE MLS DOES FOR YOU:

A WORLD WITHOUT THE MLS:

Largest database of available homes		.....		No centralized source of available homes
Most up-to-date home status information		.....		Outdated home status information
Maximized visibility of homes for sale		.....		Fewer homes for buyers to choose from on real estate websites
Verified, trusted, detailed and accurate property information		.....		Unverified, inaccurate and unreliable property information
Facilitates cooperation between buyer and seller brokers		.....		Buyers/sellers would likely have to pay to list on websites
Equal opportunity for all home buyers and sellers		.....		Residents without access to brokerages would have fewer options
Easy to find the agent selling the home		.....		Inconsistent broker information in listings across marketplace
Level playing field between large and small brokerages		.....		Markets become broker-controlled