Councilmember Kshama Sawant’s legislation will raise $300 million/year from the biggest corporations to fund social housing and a Green New Deal.

Big businesses subject to the tax have Seattle-based revenues of $90 billion/year.

The tax amounts to, on average, 0.3% of corporate revenue.

"Companies like the one I work for - Amazon - are going to fight us hard. We are going to have to build a powerful, broad movement to win the $300 million/year Amazon Tax." - Matt Smith, Amazon cargo handler
We will invest 75% of the tax on corporate payroll in affordable, publicly controlled housing, and 25% to advance Seattle’s Green New Deal.

$225 million every year for housing & services

$75 million every year for the Green New Deal

We Will Build

8,000

New Affordable Social Homes in the Next 10 Years

Homes for the working class, for people experiencing homelessness, people in low- and moderate-income jobs, and retirees on fixed incomes.

Publicly owned or controlled housing to ensure that rents are permanently affordable and will go up no more than the rate of inflation.

Union-built homes under union-negotiated community workforce agreements, with prevailing union wage rates, priority hire for local workers, and apprenticeship opportunities for young people, especially women and people of color from economically distressed neighborhoods.

Sustainable, green-built homes to meet the standards of our Green New Deal.

We will invest in weatherization, solar energy, all-electric home conversion, and other programs to reduce dependence on fossil fuels, create union jobs, ensure a just transition, and advance the Green New Deal.