YWCA is on a mission of eliminating racism and empowering women, which requires using our voice to advocate for public policy issues and budget matters that advance racial and gender equity. YWCA Seattle | King | Snohomish supports the following policy priorities for the 2023 Washington State Legislative session:

**Implement Tax on the Ultra-Wealthy**
Provide tax relief for low and middle-income families by applying a 1% wealth tax on intangible assets exceeding $1 billion.

**Protect Tenants from Rent Gouging**
Require six months’ notice of significant rent increases so tenants have more time to respond and plan; provide flexibility for tenants to end their lease, and cap late fees.

**Prevent Housing Discrimination for the Formerly Incarcerated**
Reduce housing barriers for formerly incarcerated people and their families by passing the Housing Justice Act to "ban the box" on rental applications.

**Provide Guaranteed Basic Income for Low-Income Families**
Establish Evergreen Basic Income Pilot program to provide guaranteed basic income for low-income households in Washington State.

**Invest in Services for Survivors**
Joint budget request of $131 million to support crime victims and protect those at risk; invest in programs for domestic violence and sexual assault survivors, children’s advocacy centers, civil legal services, and more.