



# **Gladys Berejiklian MP**

Minister for Transport

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### **STATION UPGRADES COMPLETED IN TIME FOR ANZAC DAY**

A \$7.5 million Easy Access upgrade of Martin Place Railway Station has been completed in time for Anzac Day, Transport Minister Gladys Berejiklian announced today.

Ms Berejiklian said the installation of two lifts at the station would make access easier for veterans and others who planned to travel to the dawn service at the Martin Place Cenotaph on Monday.

The upgrade of the station – used for 5.5 million journeys each year - also includes new accessible toilets, and tactile indicators for the vision-impaired.

“Last year there were 4405 journeys to and from Martin Place Station on Anzac Day and this upgrade means this year’s travellers will have an easier and more comfortable journey into the city, and back home,” Ms Berejiklian said.

The completion of work at Martin Place coincides with the end of work on an Easy Access upgrade at St James Station. That upgrade means St James, which is used for 2.3 million journeys a year, now has two lifts, accessible toilet, and tactile indicators.

Last Anzac Day, there were 1921 journeys to and from St James Station.

Ms Berejiklian also announced free travel would be provided to current and former members of the Australian Defence Force for travel to and from Anzac Day services.

“Veterans’ widows, widowers and spouses, as well as children and grandchildren, will also be able to travel free on all CityRail, Sydney Ferries and Sydney metropolitan and outer metropolitan bus services,” Ms Berejiklian said.

“All veterans and their families need to do to obtain this concession is wear their uniforms, display medals or carry official documentation from their local RSL branch.”

Return travel on CountryLink services within NSW can also be purchased by veterans and their families for the price of a single ticket by providing official RSL documentation.

Other Anzac Day travel arrangements include:

- Special early morning bus and train services for the 4.15am dawn service at Martin Place. There will be extra services on most lines. Sydney Buses will also operate special early morning services. Visit <http://www.131500.com.au/events/anzac-day-2011>
- The Family Funday Sunday ticket will be offered as a one-off to families for use on Monday April 25 to help people attend events across the city. The ticket costs \$2.50 per person to travel on trains, buses and ferries in greater Sydney. To purchase a Family Funday Sunday ticket, the group must include at least one adult and one child. For conditions visit [www.131500.com.au](http://www.131500.com.au).

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