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BETTER TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE FOR CANBERRA



up to
150,000m²
roads resurfaced
each year

\$54 million
for road
upgrades **A+**

2 new
Rapid Bus
routes 

The ACT Government is continuing to make it easier to get around Canberra by delivering an integrated public transport network and better road infrastructure.

Canberra will have a truly integrated public transport network with investments in new ticketing technology, Stage Two of the light rail network from the City to Woden, new Rapid Bus routes and bus priority infrastructure.

This Budget invests in the future of the ACT's roads, with upgrades to major thoroughfares as well as intersection improvements and feasibility studies for future works to keep Canberra moving.

Our commitment to invest in our city's transport network and associated infrastructure creates jobs in construction, reduces congestion and connects people with their community as our city continues to grow.

The 2017-18 ACT Budget invests more than **\$127.3 million** in better transport and infrastructure across Canberra.

Better public transport for Canberra

The ACT Government is building an integrated public transport network that is vital to ensure Canberrans have a quick and reliable way of travelling around our city.

- **\$65 million** over 4 years to make our public transport network even better, including:
 - **\$53.5 million** for the second stage of light rail between the City and Woden, including the development of a business case, design analysis and procurement activities;
 - **\$7 million** for free travel on two new Rapid Bus routes, free off-peak buses for seniors and concession card holders and to continue the Free City Loop, Airport and Route 182 Weston Line services;
 - **\$2.1 million** to progress procurement of integrated bus and light rail ticketing and investment in ticket machines;
 - **\$1.7 million** for faster bus travel through bus priority infrastructure, bus service improvements and new bus stops; and
 - **\$715,000** for additional WorkSafe ACT Inspectors to deliver light rail safely.

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Improving road infrastructure

Investing in our roads provides more transport options for Canberrans.

This Budget will invest **\$54 million** in upgrades to roads across the ACT, including:

- **\$35 million** for stage two of the Gundaroo Drive duplication, replacement of the roundabout at Gundaroo Drive/ Mirrabai Drive/ Anthony Rolfe Avenue with traffic lights, a new four-way signalised intersection at the Federal Highway and Old Wells Station Road and stormwater works on Flemington and Morisset Roads;
- **\$8 million** to construct an access road to the Canberra Brickworks Precinct;
- **\$6 million** to investigate upgrades and duplication of the Monaro Highway and Pialligo Avenue;
- **\$4.5 million** over three years for increased road resealing across Canberra; and
- **\$900,000** for design works on upgrades to Bindubi Street and William Hovell Drive in Belconnen and east-west arterial roads in the Molonglo Valley.

Better services in your community

The Budget invests in better community transport services across the ACT.

- **\$8.3 million** over four years in community transport through the Community Transport Coordination Centre, incorporating the Flexible Bus Service and special needs transport.