

# CHEAPER PUBLIC TRANSPORT

## LET'S MAKE IT HAPPEN!

- ALL low-income people to travel for free during interpeak and late-nights
- FREE public transport for all school students

For low-income people, the cost of public transport can add up - especially if you have kids, and if you have to travel often for study, part-time work, or Centrelink obligations. Being able to travel cheaply is not only necessary for people trying to study and job-search.

It is important for people's emotional and social well-being that they are able to spend time with family and friends and participate in community and recreational activities – just like others.

Some, like people who have the Seniors Card (some of whom are quite well-off), can travel for free during interpeak times (9-3 on weekdays, on Sundays), and at nights (7-midnight).

But unemployed people, students, and single parents - whose incomes are MUCH smaller - do NOT receive these benefits. Why does someone with an income of \$20K per year get to travel for free for large parts of the week, but not someone with an income of \$13K (job-seeker) or \$7K (student)?

### **END THE DOUBLE STANDARD!**

Let's get the State Government to help those doing it tough.

We CAN afford it – it is just a question of priorities. **Here's what you can do:**

#### **1) Contact Transport Minister Stephen Mullighan:**

ministermullighan@sa.gov.au or 8402 1708.

#### **2) Contact your local MP.**

#### **3) Sign our petition:**

[www.communityrun.org/petitions/fair-public-transport-fares](http://www.communityrun.org/petitions/fair-public-transport-fares)

*"I would be able to stay a whole lot more connected to the community if I didn't have to worry about the cost of public transport.*

*Most weeks I am a few days without money, so making it to different events can really depend on what day of the week it is.*

*If it is for my son's appointments in the city, I always make sure the money will be there as I know about them three months prior.*

*There is no difference between \$5 and \$2.60 when you have no money." - Sarah Pinkie*



This flier was produced by Anti-Poverty Network SA, an alliance of people fighting for policies that treat low-income people with respect and fairness.

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