



Green Party transport plan

For stronger cities

Getting Auckland and our other cities moving takes a plan for better and more affordable buses and trains. Here is the Green Party's plan:

1. Build the Congestion Free Network of major public transport projects in Auckland, starting with light rail to the airport by 2021.
2. Youth Green Card: free public transport, all the time, for everyone under 19.
3. Student Green Card: free off-peak public transport for all tertiary students and apprentices.
4. Free off-peak public transport for people living with a disability.
5. Continue the existing SuperGold Card for superannuitants.

This will save families and students money, and help get climate pollution under control.

Free public transport for children will halve the cost of a weekend family trip from Albany or Papakura to Auckland's CBD, or from Porirua to Wellington's CBD, reducing traffic and enabling everyone to get out and enjoy what their city has to offer.

One in three cars in morning peak traffic is taking someone to school, so getting more children, teenagers, and students on buses and trains will help free up the roads.

In government, the Green Party will prioritise building light rail from the CBD, down Dominion Road to Mt Roskill, Māngere, and out to Auckland Airport by 2021.

We will build North-West light rail to Waimauku, bus rapid transit from Owick to the airport and Botany to Constellation Drive, bus priority routes across the city, the Third Main Rail Line for freight by 2019, electrification of trains to Pukekohe, and run a new passenger train trial from Auckland to Hamilton and Tauranga five times a day from 2019. We will begin planning for rail to the North Shore, ultimately from Albany to the airport.

The cost of providing free public transport is less than the price of building just 1km of one of National's low-value motorways. We'll fund our plan by reprioritising existing low-value and non-urgent transport spending, a modest new regional fuel tax, and working with Auckland Council on innovative new funding options like land value uplift capture.

The Green Party at the heart of a new government will move fast to build a world class transport network in our biggest city.



This plan sits alongside the Green Party’s longstanding commitment to invest in safer cycling and walking options, such as in our Safe to School package.

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