

# Media Release

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## HELPING MORE YOUNG VICTORIANS LEARN TO DRIVE

The Andrews Labor Government is helping more disadvantaged young Victorians get the support they need while learning to drive.

Minister for Roads and Minister for Road Safety and the TAC Jaala Pulford today announced the successful Learner Driver Mentor Program (L2P) will continue for a further four years.

The L2P program helps learner drivers who do not have access to a supervising driver or vehicle gain the valuable driving experience they need to apply for a probationary licence.

Eligible young Victorians are matched with fully licensed volunteer mentors and have access to a sponsored vehicle, which they can use to get supervised driving experience.

The program is free for Victorians aged between 16 and 21 who hold a current learner's permit but do not have access to a vehicle, supervising driver, or both.

Over the past 10 years, the L2P program has helped more than 5,000 young Victorians get their probationary licence and get on the road.

The Labor Government will invest \$33.4 million to help young drivers get to work or school and will keep Victoria's roads safer by reducing the number of unlicensed drivers on our roads.

The TAC has also rebooted DriveSmart – an online training program for learner drivers to learn safe driving skills.

The program takes learners through a range of driving scenarios, requiring users to make safe driving judgments, improving their hazard perception, scanning and concentration skills.

For more information on the L2P program, visit [vicroads.gov.au](http://vicroads.gov.au).

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Roads and Road Safety Jaala Pulford

*"Having a licence means it's easier to get to work or school, and we think every young person should have these opportunities."*

*"The L2P program not only gives thousands of disadvantaged young Victorians the opportunity to get their licence – it also makes our roads safer."*