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NSW GOVERNMENT EXTENDS SUPPORT FOR SAFE SPACE

A vital program which gives vulnerable people a safe haven or helping hand in an effort to further reduce alcohol-related violence will continue with NSW Government support, Attorney General Gabrielle Upton today announced.

The Thomas Kelly Youth Foundation will receive \$100,000 per year over the next three years to deliver the Safe Space program and Take Kare Ambassador Program.

The program currently operates from 10:00pm to 4:00am on Friday and Saturday nights next to Sydney Town Hall and in Kings Cross.

Ms Upton said the NSW Government is proud to support the program which reaffirms the commitment to reduce alcohol related violence.

“The Safe Space and Take Kare Ambassador Program does a great job in helping people who might be at risk before they get into trouble. Little things like charging a phone or giving advice make a big difference in helping keep people safe and reduce alcohol-related violence,” Ms Upton said.

Established by the Thomas Kelly Youth Foundation, the program gives practical, on-street assistance and support to at risk young people. The program is delivered by the Salvation Army’s Salvos Street Teams and to date has assisted more than 5,000 people.

In addition to the NSW Government’s support, the program is supported by the City of Sydney, the Macquarie Group Foundation, Crown Resorts Foundation and the Packer Family Foundation.

For more information about the Safe Space and Take Kare Ambassador Program, go to <http://thomaskellyyouthfoundation.org.au/take-kare-safe-space>

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