

SUNCORP BANK OPENS IN MARRICKVILLE

Suncorp Bank, Australia's fifth largest bank, continues its expansion in New South Wales with the opening of its 17th New South Wales metropolitan banking branch in Marrickville on Wednesday 30 June 2010.

Located next to Kmart in the busy Marrickville Metro Shopping Centre, the new branch will offer personal banking, wealth management, insurance solutions, small business banking and an expanding 24 hour ATM network.

Suncorp Bank Regional General Manager Harry Hills said Sydney CBD local Faz Goren had been appointed Area Manager for the Sydney CBD/ East Sydney region, which encompassed the new Marrickville branch.

"Faz has a decade of banking and financial services experience with seven years in senior leadership positions. In this role Faz will be responsible for more than 30 employees. Most of these employees are also locals which is testament to our commitment to create jobs for the local communities in which we operate," Mr Hills said.

"The new Marrickville branch is the first Suncorp Bank to open in Sydney's inner-west and will cater to everyone, especially people with busy lifestyles. Meeting rooms and private studio pods have been incorporated into the branch design so clients can discuss their needs with branch staff in a welcoming environment."

Suncorp established its first branch in New South Wales over a decade ago and another 16 branches and two business banking centres have opened in metropolitan areas since then.

"The Marrickville branch opening supports our strategy to position our branches and ATMs in the best places to meet the needs of our local customers and become the best bank for New South Wales," Mr Hills said.

"The expansion in these metro areas in recent months has seen us open Suncorp Bank branches and ATMs in Blacktown, Bondi Junction, Baulkham Hills and now Marrickville, each servicing the broad range of banking needs of local businesses and communities."

To celebrate the Marrickville branch opening, Suncorp Bank will be offering Marrickville Metro shoppers the chance to win one of two \$1000 Suncorp Bank Term Deposit Accounts. Competition entry forms can be picked up from the new Marrickville branch from 30 June and will be handed out by promotional teams driving mobile billboards around the branch from Wednesday 7 July until Tuesday 13 July. The competition will run from 30 June until 30 July 2010.

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