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### ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Asked by Mr Doszpot on 18 June 2014 : Mr Glen Carter took on notice the following question:

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In relation to : Scaffolders

**MR DOSZPOT:** *Well, that is my understanding as well but I guess the reality is that there is a shortage in scaffolders for starters and I am just wondering whether that has been brought to your attention and that is on the radar to attend to.*

**Mr Carter:** *If I can? In answer to your question, no, I would not say it has been brought immediately to our attention but what I understand with scaffolding qualifications they fit their high risk licensing category. It is an area of priority under our current training plan and has been for a number of years.*

*There are multiple levels of qualification. There is the basic, there is intermediate and advanced and I am not sure exactly which of those particular qualifications levels would be or might fit your concern in terms of shortages but there are certainly a number of providers in the ACT, local providers, that provide that training very, very well. And off the top of my head it do not know the number of people we have subsidised but we approved subsidy for those training.*

**MR DOSZPOT:** *Could you take it on notice and look into that to see what the situation is at the moment on that?*

Joy Burch MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The ACT Building and Construction Industry Training Fund Authority (TFA) in accordance with its Annual Training Plan, approved funding grants of up to 70% for eligible applicants for the following completions		
<b>2012</b>		
Basic Scaffolding	25 applicants completed	2 specialist RTO's in the ACT
Intermediate Scaffolding	24 applicants completed	2 specialist RTO's in the ACT
Advanced Scaffolding	Nil	2 Specialist RTO's in the ACT
<b>2013</b>		
Basic Scaffolding	9 applicants completed	3 specialist RTO's in the ACT
Intermediate	Nil	3 specialist RTO's in the ACT

Scaffolding		
Advanced Scaffolding	Nil	3 Specialist RTO's in the ACT
<b>2014</b>		
Basic Scaffolding	13 applicants completed	4 specialist RTO's in the ACT

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By the Minister for Education and Training, Joy Burch MLA