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SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2022-2023

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QUESTION ON NOTICE

James Milligan MLA: To ask the Minister for Disability

Ref: Disability Budget Statement G, p. 23 2021-22 (CSD)

In relation to: Disability Advocacy Funding

Date (Question Lodged by Member): 30/08/2022 Date (Question Sent to DLO): 02/09/2022

Disability Advocacy funding

- (1) In the 2021-22 Budget there were forward Estimates for Disability Advocacy for this year of \$408K. Where has this money gone? (CSD p 23 2021-22)
- (a) If this was to be absorbed into directorate costs, why no increase in controlled recurrent payments?

Minister Davidson: The answer to the Member's question is as follows: -

(1) In the 2021-22 Budget the ACT Government committed \$1.6 million over four years in grant funding to ACT disability advocacy groups Aged Carer Advocacy Service (ADACAS) and Advocacy for Inclusion (AFI) to increase the capacity of these important partner organisations to provide targeted advocacy support and services to people with disability.

In the 2022-23 budget period ADACAS and AFI will receive \$204K each in grant funding in line with the ACT Government commitment.

(a) This funding was not absorbed into directorate costs. It was paid to community partners in line with 2021-22 budget decisions.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2022-2023

Signature: Date: 9 September 2022

By Minister Davidson [Minister for Disability]