

Businesses seek skilled employees

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BUT Halley Homes had little choice.

"We are hurting for carpenters," Mrs Steer said.

"It's really tough."

Member for Longman Mal Brough recently launched the Skills for the Future package which allows thousands of Australians a chance to expand their skills base and job opportunities through a voucher program.

"The release of the spirogram will provide a great opportunity for people in the Longman region to get to the basic skills they need to succeed in their jobs and get a headstart in the workplace," Mr Brough said.

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Australian Skills Voucher program, the Work Skills vouchers and the Business Skills vouchers.

The vouchers can be used in public, private or community training providers.

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