



Efeng Bacha 2021 - 2022

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What are you studying?

Diploma in Analytical Chemistry



Where are you studying?

University of Johannesburg



How do you want the Efeng Bacha Initiative to assist your entrepreneurship journey?

Most importantly I want Efeng Bacha to help me with self development, self growth so that when I go out to develop other people I know in fully equipped and to connect me with people that have walked the journey of starting such initiative of sanitary towel drive, as a woman mostly before I can do anything once I voice out my idea I'm already criticized, my capabilities are questioned, I'm set up for failure before I can even start so I want Efeng Bacha to equip me with entrepreneurship skills, ins and out of business so that when I go into boardroom to pitch my business idea I go with confidence, positive energy and know how to deal with situations where I'm undermined.



How do you #ServeLikeMadiba?

Share my mental health journey with everyone mostly children that are orphans, due to most of orphans are not treated in a good way by families, they feel neglected, rejected, have no one and some even commit suicide due to things they go through in their homes, being molested, forced to work at the very young age, forced into marriages some live in child headed families and some are told they won't be anything they will be failures like their parents, they won't make it. However this may affect every young person not only orphan so sharing my mental health journey as an orphan give others hope that they can also make it in life regardless of the situation they find themselves in.



As a #legacyleader, what is your advice to the children and youth of our nation?

Nothing is easy, if you want to see change be that change. Stand firm, strong, bold and be unapologetic for what you believe in. Always voice out your ideas, fight to be part of the table where issues affecting young people and children are discussed, nothing about us should be discussed without us.



What is the legacy you hope to leave one day?

I want to leave a manufacturing centre where young people will be employed to make Madiba Reusable Sanitary towels, that will be donated to orphans across the country and also be sold in markets. Madiba Pads will be environmentally friendly and will decrease abundance waste caused mostly by disposal sanitary towels, always available in the house and this will bring back the dignity of a girl child as they will never miss school due to lack of sanitary Towel. Madiba Sanitary towels will be sustainable as they will last for years when they are handled properly and will provide health benefits as they will be chemical, gel, allergy free. I want to leave a Lagacy where sanitary towels are free, bathrooms of shopping centre's, malls, offices, universities, schools, clinics, hospitals, and libraries you find sanitary towels because I believe that having sex is a choice but going through menstruation cycle every month as a girl is not a choice its nature. If condoms can be free I believe it's possible for sanitary towels can be free.



What is your favourite Nelson Mandela quote?

"As long as outmoded ways of thinking prevent women from making a meaningful contribution to society, progress will be slow".

