



Efeng Bacha 2021 - 2022

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What are you studying?

I have completed my studies at the University of Pretoria, BA Political Sciences, International Relations



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

I have already learnt so much about myself since starting this program only two months ago; about the way I communicate, my capacity for expansion, my leadership style, and so much more. Where entrepreneurship is concerned, I got the biggest shock during the retreat we had last month. Everything I thought I knew, flew out the window at the hands of our speakers and the workshops we had. I gained practical experience and tools to deeply unpack ideas for the highest benefit of all those around me; I finally zeroed in on the plan of action for the goals I'm passionate about achieving. It was the most eye opening experience. Truly invaluable! Honestly, I don't even know how my experience could get any better, the team has surpassed my expectations already.



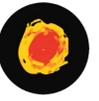
How do you #ServeLikeMadiba?

I am present. My skill is listening and being there for people. My initial project involved "counseling" and being there for drug users in my community, in an informal and conversational way. I was able to help young boys and men be in a safe enough space to speak and voice their feelings, goals, dreams and ambitions. I found that a lot of my boys felt detached and misunderstood at home. I also found that this discontentment was one of the reasons drug use become an option. They felt like they needed an agent to suppress what they felt but couldn't express I serve like Madiba by being a human first and foremost. I serve by drawing out the confidence that one needs to truly exist freely, outside of the bounds society imposes on us. Going forward, I plan to expand my reach



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

Hope. Dream. Want. Desire.
I feel like our families, schools, social media and every other mode of communication we have in our immediate reach tends to push the notion that our needs and wants are unattainable. By the time we reach puberty, we've heard 'no' and 'that's not possible' too many times to count. I want my leadership journey to ooze of hope and the courage to dream. If I could anything during my lifetime, it's reminding us all that there was once a three year-old dreamer in all of us, who saw no limits, was actually the goal standard of the human existence. To the youth I'd say "growing up is over rated, stay young in the mind, and free in your soul".



What is the legacy you hope to leave one day?

Reminding people that the human spirit is unstoppable. Through the various projects I have planned for the my Efeng Bacha term and beyond, I want the fabric of respecting and valuing the humanness within us to be prominent, especially in the age of technology of now covid, all of which detach us from physical contact. I want to drive home the point that Artificial Intelligence is important, but it's the imagination, vast capacity and willpower of being humans that weaves us together and connects us to Spirit, that is resilient and will always triumph.



What is your favourite Nelson Mandela quote?

"I learned that courage was not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it. The brave man is not he who does not feel afraid, but he who conquers that fear."

