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CALL FOR 2026 BURSARY APPLICATIONS

The Sibona Ilanga Trust is a community trust that holds shares in the De Aar Solar Power Plant for the benefit of communities within a 50-kilometre radius of the plant. Guided by the belief that everyone in its communities should have the opportunity to achieve their dreams, the Trust actively empowers individuals to advance their education and skills.

As part of this commitment, the Sibona Ilanga Trust is offering individuals the opportunity to pursue post-school studies at accredited South African tertiary education or training institutions. This includes public and private TVET colleges, universities of technology, and academic universities.

To date, the Trust has invested R12.1 million, funding 126 bursaries, and has committed an additional R2.5 million in bursaries for the 2025/2026 financial year. The bursary programme is managed by StudyTrust.

Applications are invited from individuals who intend to or are currently studying towards a qualification in technical and skills training (such as boilermaker, fitter and turner or plumbing etc.), training programmes, national certificates, national diplomas, or degree programmes. Those who have previously completed their NSC or NTC but are not currently studying are also encouraged to apply.

Criteria for Applicants

- Must be a South African Citizen
- Not older than 35 years
- ✓ Must reside within 50km radius of the De Aar Solar plant
- Must be accepted to study at any recognised public or private South African tertiary education or training institution
- Matriculation is a requirement



Documents Required

Copy of I.D | Proof of household income | Proof of acceptance at a tertiary institution | Proof of residence Bursaries can include full tuition fees, accommodation, living expenses and study materials.



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FINAL CLOSING DATE 31 October 2025

NO LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED