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Apply now for 2022 NSFAS funding



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pplications for National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS) funding for 2022

are now open. The Minister of Higher Education, Science and Innovation, Dr Blade Nzimande, says learners and out of school youth from disadvantaged and working-

class backgrounds can now apply for funding to study at public universities and technical vocational education and training (TVET) colleges.

Government has categorised

students into five cohorts for funding. "We believe these will cover all students who have potential and are in need of funding," the Minister says. The categories are:

- First-time students, who are South African Social Security Agency (SASSA) beneficiaries (cohort 1);
- Returning students, who are SASSA beneficiaries (cohort 2);
- First-time entering students who are not SASSA beneficiaries (cohort 3);
- Returning students, who are not SASSA beneficiaries (cohort 4);
- Students living with a disability (cohort 5).

Applications are also open to qualifying students who are already enrolled at an institution, but don't have funding.

Who qualifies for funding?

 South African citizens and permanent residents who plan to register, or are already studying, at a public university or TVET college.

- SASSA grant recipients.
- Those whose combined household income is not more than R350 000 per year.
- Persons living with disabilities, with a combined household income of not more than R600 000 per year.

Applicants must submit the correct supporting documents with their application. These include:

- A copy of your identity document (ID) or temporary ID. If you use a Smart ID card, a copy of both sides must be provided;
- Non-SASSA applicants must provide ID copies of their parents, legal guardians or spouse.
- Proof of income of the applicant and that of the parent, legal guardian or

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IsiVuseleli sikaMongameli seNgqesho sidala amathuba emisebenzi

kusungulwa kwakutsha nje kwesigaba sesibini kwesiVuseleli sika-Mongameli seNgqesho kubonisa inkqubela phambili enkulu kakhulu kwilinge lokudala amathuba emisebenzi kubemi boMzantsi Afrika abangaphangeliyo.

Kulonyaka uphelileyo siye saqulunqa uvuselelo ngqesho ukuze sikwazi ukudala amathuba emisebenzi amaninzi, kangangoko sikwazi kwixesha elifutshane. Oku kufune iindlela ezintsha nezinobuchule zokusebenza ukuze kuphunyezwe le nkqubo ngesantya kunye nangomlinganiselo ongazange wabonwa.

Kwinkqubo yokufuna nokufumana abantu abaninzi abangasebenziyo, siye sasebenzisa amaqonga edijithali ukuze sikwazi ukufikelela kubathathinxaxheba abaninzi nabafanelekileyo. Umzekelo, amafama asakhasayo akwazile ukufaka izicelo zenkxaso nge-USSD kwaye bakwazi ukufumana iivawutsha kwiiselfowuni zabo.

Okoko iSebe leMfundo esi-Siseko livule ithuba lezicelo zeqela elilandelayo labancedisi bezikolo kutshanje, bangaphezulu kwama-940 000 abantu abatsha abafake izicelo besebenzisa iqonga lokukhangela imisebenzi elingahlawulisiyo elibizwa ngokuba yi-SAYouth.mobi, eliyinxalenye ye-Pathway Management Network yesizwe.

Ukusetyenziswa kwethe-

knoloji yale mihla ekuvezeni amathuba engqesho kwenze ukufuna nokufumana kwabantu kwabalula kakhulu, kwakhawuleza kwaye kwacaca ngakumbi.

IsiVuseleli sikaMongameli seNgqesho senze kwaye saququzelela intsebenziswano kumacandelo karhulumente. Iinkqubo kwisigaba sokuqala ziphunyezwe ngamasebe esizwe ali-11. La masebe alungelelanisa imisebenzi yabo ukuthintela ukuyiphindaphinda kunye nemosharha kwaye aze aphucula ukufunda kumava abanye.

Uvuselelo lwengqesho lukwabonise ukubalu-leka kwentsebenziswano noluntu. Urhulumente, amashishini, abasebenzi kunye nemibutho yoluntu aye adibana ukuze bafake abo bangaphangeliyo kwezoqoqosho.

Bangaphezu kwesiqingatha sesigidi abemi boMzantsi Afrika abasele bexhamlile kwisigaba sokuqala sale nkqubo, kusekho neenkqubo ezininzi ezisaqhubayo. Abathathinxaxheba banikwe amathuba amaninzi afana nawokufumana imali yokuziphilisa, awokufunda izakhono ezitsha nawokuphucula ezo zakhono sele zikho kwaye basebenzisa amava abo njengesiseko sokufumana eminye imisebenzi okanye awokuzisebenzela.

Umzekelo, abanye abathathi-nxaxheba abaqeshwe kwiinkqubo zesigaba sokuqala zeSebe leMisebenzi kaRhulumente

neziSeko zoPhuhliso bakwazile ukufumana ingqesho kumacandelo abucala ekupheleni kweyo-Kwindla ka-2021.

Uninzi lwabo babekwiqela lokuqala labancedisi eziko-lweni, ngokufanayo, baye bafumana indlela yokufumana imisebenzi, bexhobe ngamava, ngeqeqesho kunye nabantu abanochaza uhlobo abasebenza ngalo.

Iinkqubo eziphunyezwe sisiVuseleli sikaMongameli seNgqesho ziye zanceda uluntu ngokubanzi. Ezi nkqubo zigxile ekudaleni amathuba emisebenzi kumacandelo anefuthe elithe ngqo kwezentlalo afana nezemfundo, nokufumaneka kokutya, nokugcinwa kweziseko ezingundoqo zoluntu kunye nokukhuselwa kokusingqongileyo.

Ngale nkqubo yesiVuseleli sikaMongameli seNgqesho kwaqeshwa ulutsha ukuwuxhasa nokuncedisa ootitshala ezikolweni zethu. Kwaze kwaqeshwa nabanye ukwakha iibhulorho kwiindawo ezisemaphandleni.

AmaZiko amaninzi oPhuhliso lwaBantwana aBaselula axhaswa ukuze akwazi ukuphinda avule kwakhona. Ngelixa amafama asakhasayo wona axhaswa ukuze akwazi ukwandisa iimveliso kwakhona, izinto ezifana nemilambo nemigxobhozo iye yabuyiselwa esimeni esisebenzayo yaze yagcinwa ikhuselekile.

Njengenxalenye yesigaba sesibini, siseka iNgxowamali yeNgqesho yoluNtu eza kuxhasa imisebenzi ekhokelwa yimibutho yasekuhlaleni kwimimandla eyohlukeneyo kwezolimo zasezidolophini, kwezobugcisa, kwezokuphuculwa kwamatyotyombe kunye nakwezokhuseleko loluntu.

Kudodobalo okukhoyo okukhulu kwezoqoqosho okubangelwa ngubhubhane wentsholongwane i-Corona, ingqesho yoluntu nentlalontle ibonelele ngovuselelo olubalulekileyo ekudaleni amathuba emisebenzi. Oku ibe kukuphunyezwa kwesibophelelo sethu sokuba urhulumente kufuneka axhase ezengqesho ngelixa icandelo lezemisebenzi lisazama ukubuyela kundalashe

Ngokusebenzisa isi-Vuseleli sikaMongameli seNgqesho sizise amawakawaka abantu abatsha emsebenzini ngendlela engazange yabonwa ngaphambili kwixeshana nje elifutshane. Malunga nama-84% abathathinxaxheba kwisigaba sokuqala sale nkqubo yayingabantu abatsha abangaphantsi kweminyaka engama-35, kwaye isibini kwisithathu sabo yayingabantu basetyhini.

Kwisigaba sesibini sale nkqubo silindele ukuba eli nani linyuke nangakumbi, njengoko olu vuselelo luya kubonelela ngemali ephantse ibe yibhiliyoni yeeRanti kuNgenelelo lukaMongameli lweNgqesho yoLutsha.

Njengenxalenye yongenelelo, abantu abatsha abaliqela baza kufakwa kwiiNkonzo zoLutsha zeSizwe ezihlaziyiweyo. Abantu abatsha baya kufumana uqeqesho kwizakhono zedijithali kwaye amashishini aphantsi kolutsha aya kufumana inkxaso yokwandisa nokuqesha.

Intswela-ngqesho kwilizwe lethu yingxaki. Kwaye asikwazi kumelana nokulibaziseka okungapheliyo ekulungiseni le ngxaki, ulibaziseko olwenziwa kukwenziwa kwezinto ngokwemimiselo, ngokweenkqubo zokuqesha eziphelelweyo, nangokokunqongophala kwamandla kunye nokucwangcisa, okanye ngenxa yeenkqubo ezihlala ixesha elifutshane kwaye ezingazinzanga.

Impumelelo yesiVuseleli sikaMongameli seNgqesho ibonise ukuba xa sisebenza kunye, sihamba ngo-kukhawuleza, sicinga ngokukutsha kwaye silawula izixhobo zethu kakuhle, singane futhe elikhulu.

IsiVuseleli sikaMongameli seNgqesho sibonakalise ukuba xa sinosebenzisana njengamacandelo karhulumente, elabasebenzi kunye noluntu singakwazi ukudala amathuba emisebenzi.

Andithandabuzi ukuba isigaba esilandelayo senkqubo yesiVuseleli sikaMongameli seNgqesho siya kusisondeza ngakumbi ekufezekiseni iinjongo zethu sisonke, zokuba kubekho imisebenzi endilisekileyo kunye namathuba alinganayo kumntu wonke.

Lumkelani abophuli-mthetho ngezesondo

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ungumntu oqhuba iziko lophuhliso lwabantwana abaselula, ungomnye wabantu abanyanzelwa ngumthetho ukuba bajonge abaqeshwa babo abakho na kwiRejista yeSizwe yaBaphuli-Mthetho ngokwe-Sondo (i-NRSO).

I-NRSO iphantsi kwe-Sebe lezoBulungisa no-Phuhliso loMgaqo-Siseko kwaye abaqeshi kufuneka baqhagamshelane neli Sebe ukuze bajonge abo bazakubagesha ukuba ababhaliswanga na kolu luhlu. Umqeshi ukwabandakanya umzali ofuna ukuqesha umntu oncedisa endlini, umntu ozakuba lilungu lebhodi elawula isikolo okanye esibhedlele. I-NRSO yasekwa ngokoMthetho wePalamente ngonyaka ka-2007.

Ngamagama bafunyenwe benetyala

lolwaphulo-mthetho ngokwesondo kubantwana nakubantu abakhubazeke ngokwasengqondweni abadweliswe kolu luhlu. UNtombizodwa Matjila, uMbhalisi we-NRSO, uthi le rejista inamagama abophuli-mthetho angamadoda nababhinqileyo.

Aba ngabantu abenze ubugwenxa kubantwana kunye nabo bakhubazeke ngokwasengqondweni, ubugwenxa obufana noku;

- Ukwabelana ngesondo nomntwana omncinci;
- Ukunyanzelisa okanye ukwenza abantwana bangqine ulwaphulomthetho ngokwesondo;
- Ukwenzisa isondo;
- Ukuxhaphaza ngokwe-
- Ukunyoba umntwana ngenjongo yokumhlukumeza ngokwesondo;
- Ukuvezwa okanye ukuboniswa kwemifanekiso yamanyala yabantwana kubantwana okanye kubantu abakhubazeke ngo-

QALA UJONGE iRejista yeSizwe yaBaphuli-mthetho ngokweSondo phambi kokuba uqeshe umntu ozakonasa abantwana okanye abo bakhubazeke ngokwasengqondweni.

kunye nokusebenzisa abantwana okanye abantu abakhubazeke ngokwasengqondweni ngeenjongo zokuthatha imifanekiso yamanyala.

"Ukuba umqeshi ufumanise ukuba igama lomsebenzi wakhe liyavela kwirejista, umqeshi kufuneka amsuse loo msebenzi amse kwesinye isikhundla esingazi kumdibanisa nomntwana okanye nomntu omdala okhubazekileyo ngokwasengqondweni," utsho uMatjila.

Ukuba umqeshi akakwazi kumsusa umqeshwa amse kwesinye isikhundla, kufu-

kwasengqondweni; neka asiphelise isivumelwano sakhe sengqesho. Ulwazi oluqulethwe kwi-NRSO lubandakanya;

- Amagama apheleleyo kunye nefani yomaphuli-mthetho, isiteketiso kunye nomsebenzi
- Idilesi yendawo eyaziwayo yomaphulimthetho, kunye nazo naziphi na iinkcukacha zoqhagamshelwano, kuquka nedilesi yeposi;
- Inombolo yesazisi yomaphuli-mthetho okanye yencwadana yokundwendwela;
- Uhlobo lolwaphulomthetho ngokwesondo.

Irejista ayivulelwa uwonkewonke. Inokuboniswa kuphela abaqeshi ukuze bafumane isatifikethi esibonakalisa ukuba loo magama ajongiweyo awachaphazeleki kulwaphulomthetho.

Kululwaphulo-mthetho ukuchazela nabani na ongomnye iinkcukacha eziqulethwe kwirejista.

Ngolwazi oluthe vetshe qhagamshelana noMatjila ku-012 315 1656 okanye uthumele imeyile ku-NMatjila@justice. gov.za

What to do if you've been sexually assaulted

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omen who have been sexually assaulted need to know the steps to follow to receive help.

What to do if you have been sexually assaulted

Seek medical help as soon as possible – At a healthcare facility, any injuries will be

treated and evidence will be collected, which will help if your case goes to court. Medication will be provided to prevent HIV, other sexually transmitted infections and unwanted pregnancy.

The easiest way to get medical help is to go to the closest hospital's emergency department, clinic, or police station. The SAPS are expected to provide transport to an appropriate healthcare

facility.

Things to avoid – Do not wash yourself before seeking help, because this will destroy vital evidence. If you must change your clothing, take the clothes you were wearing at the time of the attack with you. If you experienced forced oral sex or kissing, do not smoke, eat, drink or brush your teeth until you've been examined.

Things to do –Take along sheets or other items that may have evidence on them. Place the unwashed items in a paper bag or roll them up in newspaper. Don't put them in a plastic bag, because this may ruin the evidence. If possible, take along clean clothes. **Support**– A friend or a loved one that you trust can provide you with support.

Lay a charge – Lay a charge at the police station once you are up to it. If the survivor is a child or a person with a mental impairment, a case must by law be opened

with the police.

Get counselling – Counselling should be offered at the health facility. If this does not happen, contact the Gender-Based-Violence Command Centre to talk to someone about your ordeal. Care Centre- You can also seek help at a Thuthuzela

Care Centre. These are onestop facilities for survivors of sexual assaults.

They provide a place of comfort for survivors and give them access to medical professionals, skilled prosecutors, social workers, magistrates and the police. Services are free of charge. Visit www.gov.za/TCC to find your closest centre.

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If you're a victim of GBV, or you know someone who needs help, contact the national **GBV** Command Centre. Call **080 0428 428**, send a 'please call me' by dialling *120*7867#, or SMS 'help' to **31531**.