



## COSDEC/ PFLF APPLICATION FORM

### SAN SCHOLARSHIP TVET BRIDGING PROGRAM

April 2023

#### Introduction

PALMS FOR LIFE FUND (PFLF) is a non-profit organisation established in 2006, to promote long-term change to the most debilitating manifestations of poverty by supporting education, food, water, sanitation, and fundamental human rights initiatives.

The Fund has partnered with the Namibia Community Skills Development Foundation (COSDEF) to provide Vocational Education bridging training courses to eligible San youth in Namibia into mainstream National Qualifications Framework (NQF) registered Technical Vocational Education (TVET) courses through COSDEF's network of Community Skills Development Centres (COSDECs).

COSDEF is a strategic partner since they have tremendous experience in training disadvantaged groups and the marginalised San youths and have Centres in regions where most San populations reside. The COSDECs also provide quality and inclusive vocational training. PFLF has influenced the lives of thousands of people worldwide, mainly vulnerable children, since its founding, raising funding from bilateral aid, corporations, foundations, and individuals.

One of PFLF's important initiatives in Namibia is the San Scholarship Program for Vocational Skills, which includes sponsoring a one-of-a-kind bridging course for students who have not completed secondary school and will be followed by focused vocational training.

#### CONDITIONS

1. Complete the form in **BLOCK LETTERS**, with black ink.
2. This application must be accompanied by certified copies of birth certificate and relevant academic certificates/latest school results.
3. Attach proof from San traditional Authorities/ councillors and Police declaration of San status.
4. Attach certified valid Namibian ID and Bank confirmation letter (must have an active bank account)
5. Certified copy of minimum old curriculum grade 10 certificate/ or new curriculum grade 11
6. Age range (18 -30)
7. Duration of training is six months.
8. Pregnant/ nursing mothers will not be considered.
9. The closing date for submitting this application form is on or before 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023, Friday.
10. **Ability to speak any of the San languages will be an added advantage.**
11. **No late applications will be accepted.**
12. **Completing this application does not mean automatic enrollment.**

*Attach a recent  
passport photo here*

**Choice of COSDEC centre mark with an X:** Only select one (1) centre as per your choice.

|                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| 1. Rundu, Tukurenu |  |
| 2. Tsumeb          |  |
| 3. Otjiwarongo     |  |
| 4. Gobabis         |  |
| 5. Ondangwa        |  |
| 6. Swakopmund      |  |

**Choice of study:** Please mark with an (A) as first choice and (B) as second choice.

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|---|--|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Bridging Course to Civil and Building Services Engineering (Bricklaying & Plastering) |  |  | Bridging Course to Civil and Building Services Engineering (Plumbing) |  |  | Bridging Course to Hospitality and Tourism (Accommodation Services and Food & Beverage Services) |  |  |
| Bridging Course to Metal Fabrication (Welding)  |  |  | Bridging Course to Clothing Production                                |  |  | Bridging Course to Hospitality and Tourism (Core Commercial Cookery Skills)                      |  |  |
| Bridging Course to Manufacturing (Joinery & Cabinet-making)                           |  |  | Bridging Course to Business Services (Office Administration)          |  |  | Bridging Course to Cosmetology Foundation (Otjiwarongo only)                                     |  |  |

### APPLICATION DETAILS

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|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------------------------|--------|--------------------------|--|--|
| Surname:        |                 | First Names:         |                          |        |                          |  |  |
| ID Number:      |                 | Nationality:         |                          |        |                          |  |  |
| Date of Birth:  |                 | Constituency:        |                          |        |                          |  |  |
| Region:         |                 | Gender: Male         | <input type="checkbox"/> | Female | <input type="checkbox"/> |  |  |
| Town:           | Marital Status: | Residential Address: |                          |        |                          |  |  |
| Postal Address: |                 | Cell No:             |                          |        |                          |  |  |
| Email Address:  |                 |                      |                          |        |                          |  |  |

### LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

|                 |       |      |       |
|-----------------|-------|------|-------|
| San tribe:      |       |      |       |
| San language    |       |      |       |
| Home language   |       |      |       |
| Other languages | Speak | Read | Write |
|                 |       |      |       |
|                 |       |      |       |

Are you disabled (Including chronic illness)? Yes  No

If disabled, please describe the type of disability:

**NEXT OF KIN**

|                      |               |
|----------------------|---------------|
| Name:                | Relationship: |
| Residential Address: | Cell/Tel No:  |
| Email Address:       |               |

**PARENT STATUS**

Both Alive       Both Deceased       Alive but Unknown Father   
 Father Deceased       Mother Deceased       Alive Unknown mother

**EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

|   |  |
|---|--|
| Highest grade completed ( <b>Indicate the last grade of school attendance and attach a copy of the highest grade obtained</b> ) |  |
| If you dropped out before grade 10, what was the reason?  |  |
|   |  |

Have you participated in other training?      Yes       No

**If yes, specify:**

|                        |  |                                       |  |
|------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| What kind of training: |  | Competencies/Qualifications obtained: |  |
| Training provider:     |  | Time and duration:                    |  |

**EMPLOYMENT STATUS**

| Type of Employment: | Name of Employer (if possible): | Period: |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|---------|
|                     |                                 |         |
|                     |                                 |         |

**YOUR FUTURE PLANS**

What do you want to do after completing the course? (Mark the box with an **X**)

Find a job       Start my own business       Continue with further studies

Something else (Specify): \_\_\_\_\_

I \_\_\_\_\_ hereby acknowledge that I have read the above conditions and accept it. I also agree that if it is discovered that I provided wrong/false information on this application form, my application will not be considered. Further, I understand that if it is discovered that information on this form is incorrect, it will lead to my immediate expulsion from the Centre and accommodation. I abide by the rules laid by the Centre, and PFLF and understands disciplinary action may be taken if I don't comply with both COSDEC Centres & PFLF rules and policies.

**This form is legally binding for the trainee to adhere to the policies and regulations of COSDEF & PFLF.**

Applicant's signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

Received by:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Provisional Admitted: Yes

No

Waiting list: Yes

No