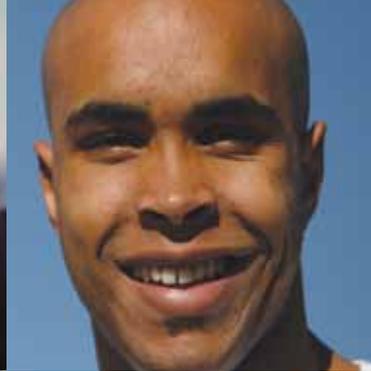


Who is
Activate?



ACTIVATE!

change drivers

ACTIVATE! is a network of young South Africans in their 20s with a common vision of a positive future for South Africa. They are brought together through a training programme and remain part of the network thereafter. Members of the network call themselves *Activators*. They come from all 9 provinces, races and religions. Some are employed, volunteers, students or unemployed.

Activators start their journey through three residential modules made up of 25 contact training days. Modules are scheduled approximately 6 – 8 weeks apart and participants are given tasks to complete in the periods between modules. Topics covered during the training include: innovation, leadership, navigating the socio-political arena, project management, technology skills, network mobilisation and communication.

After completing these modules, Activators are welcomed into the network and are given access to further opportunities such as an online resource bank, studying towards an NQF Level 5 Community Development certificate and others.

ACTIVATE! encourages active citizenship through a constructive youth voice, raising expectations of what is possible for young people to achieve, communities to create, for business to co-operate and governments to deliver.

Activators are like verbs, with action an expression of who they are:

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Activators are committed to:

- Taking responsibility for a better, more just South Africa.
- Connecting, supporting each other, working together and creating opportunity for themselves and for others.
- Innovating, challenging, learning and actioning smarter solutions.
- Driving forward and mobilising positive change

A close-up portrait of a young Black man with short hair, smiling slightly. He is wearing an orange polo shirt with a white and yellow collar and a black necklace with a white pendant. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

Changing
the world
changed me.

TSHEKISO MOLOHLANYI, Gauteng
ACTIVATOR since 2012

WHY?

Post-apartheid South Africa continues to experience inequality, injustice, violence and an uncertain future. Against this backdrop are 29 million young people (15-35 year olds), many of whom are struggling to find themselves, are prejudiced by poor education and are unemployed (more than 50%). While there are significant youth development initiatives across South Africa, what is missing is a national network to help synergise and amplify the influence of emerging young leaders. ACTIVATE! encourages youth to use their energy, drive and innovation to create REAL change for themselves and their communities.

*“After going through the ACTIVATE! training programme,
I am empowered to do what I do better.”*

ASHRAF KENNY

Western Cape

ACTIVATOR since 2013

The network is supported by a small team based in Cape Town, Durban and Johannesburg.

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