



# Siphosiso Masinga

## Solar Plant Intern

### FAST FACTS

- Location: De Aar Solar Power
- Education: N2-N6 National Certificates: Electrical Engineering (LV).

What sparked your interest in solar energy?

Solar energy is the future. In South Africa, we're working hard to produce clean energy with less impact on climate change, and solar is one of the best options—it uses the sun, a natural resource we have every day. Despite current climate challenges, solar remains a sustainable solution, and with evolving technology, it's opening up exciting career opportunities as more projects develop around the world.

Since joining De Aar Solar Power, what does a typical day on site look like for you?

Working at a solar plant offers unique experiences that combine technical challenges with environmental impact. It's also an opportunity to learn from mentors who share valuable knowledge and experience, helping me stay effective and confidently apply my skills in my role.

"Solar energy is the future!"

What advice would you give to future interns?

My advice would be to focus on building a solid understanding of solar technology and take the time to connect with other interns, supervisors, and professionals in the field. Don't be shy to ask questions, ask for clarity, and have conversations with experienced team members—you'll learn a lot that way.