

Funding Agencies for BWP Bamboo Business Ideas

This document provides a curated list of funding agencies with clickable links to their official websites. It is tailored for the BWP Club's bamboo ventures (animal feed, engraved pens, bamboo charcoal briquettes, student chairs).

Quick Reference Table

Agency	Website	Focus
Development Bank of Jamaica (DBJ)	https://dbankjm.com/	National development bank offering financing and programs
Jamaica Business Development Corporation (JBDC)	https://www.jbdc.net/	Government agency providing grants, incubation, training, and
National EXIM Bank of Jamaica	https://eximbankja.com/	Trade finance and risk insurance for exporters and producers; support
Caribbean Climate Innovation Center (CCIC)	https://caribbeancic.org/	Regional climate-tech accelerator offering mentoring, small grants
Caribbean Development Bank (CDB)	https://www.caribank.org/	Multinational development bank providing loans and grants—o
IDB Lab (Inter-American Development Bank Group)	https://bidlab.org/en/	Innovation Lab, venture arm of the IDB; provides venture financ
USAID – Development Innovation Ventures (DIV)	https://divportal.usaid.gov/	U.S. government grants that test, iterate, and scale
GEF Small Grants Programme (via UNDP) – Jamaica	https://www.undp.org/ja/our-projects/global-environment-facility-small-grants-program	Global projects/global grants supporting facility small-grants progr
Green Climate Fund – Private Sector Facility (PSF)	https://www.greenclimate.fund/en/our-projects/private-sector-facility	Mobilize private capital for climate projects in developing co
Root Capital	https://rootcapital.org/	Impact investment firm financing agricultural SMEs; offers loans and
Acumen	https://acumen.org/	Patent capital investor backing high-impact enterprises across

Tip: Lead with a 1–2 page executive summary and a short slide deck; include prototypes/pilot data for the specific bamboo product line.