

Creating jobs and businesses, transforming lives: CDFIs build thriving places and stronger local economies

CDFIs:

- grow thousands of jobs and businesses across the UK
- build financial resilience by helping households save money
- enable social enterprises to maximise impact
- boost productivity and enrich communities by supporting people into work

Jane loves her new job at an IT business. Its owner **used finance from a CDFI to grow**. The firm took on four extra staff and has won a big new contract.

Jane and her colleagues like the local independent café. Its chef came to the UK two years ago and **used microfinance from a CDFI to buy kitchen equipment**. Jane's neighbour has a job there now.

Jane needed to drive to get this job but couldn't afford lessons. With her low credit score, most lenders said "no" or were expensive. A **CDFI gave Jane an affordable loan**, enabling her to learn to drive, earn more and start saving.

Jane's daughter goes to a social enterprise nursery. It **expanded using CDFI finance**, so more families can get high-quality, affordable childcare.