



Newsletter

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LOAN

MARIAM

DAR AS SALAAM, TANZANIA

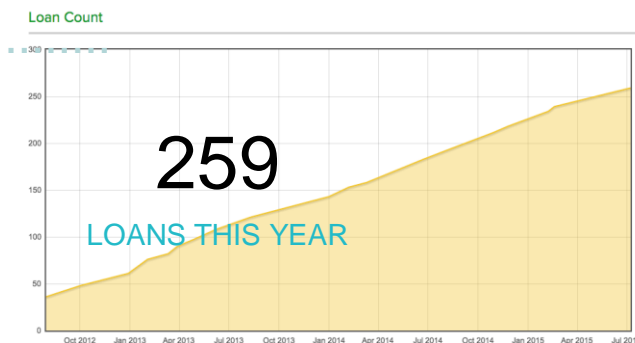
Mariam, who is in her late 40s, is not married and has four kids who are still in school. For the past few years, she has been selling fruits and vegetables. She works from 7 in the morning through midnight daily to make a good monthly profit. Mariam will share this loan with her loan group, Mkongoni, which has two members who will hold each other accountable for paying back the loan.

Mariam is requesting a loan of \$350 USD to purchase fruits and vegetables to sell. This will be her second loan. Mariam used her previous loan to restock the missing items in her business. She has successfully repaid her previous loan and used her profits to pay school fees and cover household expenses. Mariam dreams of one day building her own house.

ABOUT TANZANIA

AVERAGE ANNUAL INCOME: \$1900
CURRENCY: TANZANIAN SHILLINGS
EXCHANGE RATE: 2,221.2 TZS = 1 USD

IN TANZANIA 1/3 OF THE POPULATION LIVES BELOW THE POVERTY LINE



This month, Cascade Investment Advisors charitable lending efforts to a budding entrepreneur in East Africa...

Tanzania remains one of the poorest countries in Africa with lack of access to capital being one of the major barriers to development and success for micro-enterprise initiatives. However, the country also has one of the best annual growth rates in the region at 6.7%. Our hope by lending to people like Mariam in Tanzania is to reach out to micro entrepreneurs and provide them with financial services to help themselves and their families.

Pease join us in assisting developing world entrepreneurs at Kiva.org!

Quick Fact // We have a 98.67% repayment rate.