

## This month, we're focusing our charitable efforts on an entrepreneur from Tajikistan



### ODINAMO'S STORY

Odinamo, 53, is from the Hamadoni district of Hamadoni, Tajikistan. Married with 4 children, Odinamo earns her living as a talented seamstress and dressmaker, which she has been doing for over fifteen years. She receives many compliments on her dresses and loves her work very much. However, at the moment Odinamo is not able to take orders as her sewing machine does not work well. She urgently needs to buy a new sewing machine in order to begin taking on clients again. Additionally she would like to purchase new fabrics to expand her business. For these reasons, she is requesting a loan of \$1,475.

### GIVING A HELPING HAND

Our goal in lending through [kiva.org](https://www.kiva.org) is to assist individual borrowers to start and grow businesses and build brighter futures for themselves, their families and their communities. This is especially important in Tajikistan, the poorest country in Central Asia, where more than two-thirds of the population lives below the poverty line.

Will you join us in micro lending this year? Together, we can make a difference!

