



## Maria Teresa's Group

BILWI, NICARAGUA

This group out of Nicaragua is comprised of three women (Amelia Beatriz, Maria Teresa, and Stefanie Margiene). They are entrepreneurial women who struggle every day in order to generate income from their small businesses. Maria Teresa, the coordinator of the group, is married, and owns her own small grocery store of ten years. The store is in the hallway of her stilt and wood home.

Maria Teresa is requesting a loan of \$950 USD to buy basic grains, snacks, eggs, and soft drinks, among other products. She dreams of one day being a successful merchant.

This month, Cascade Investment Advisors decided to focus its charitable lending efforts to an entrepreneurial group in Nicaragua...

Ravaged by many years of dictatorship and civil war, Nicaragua remains Central America's poorest country, though it seems to be making progress in its efforts to alleviate poverty. We made our loan this month to help women like Maria Teresa and friends in Nicaragua support her family and community!

Please visit our microlending team at [Kiva.org](http://Kiva.org), Cascade Investment Advisors, and join us in assisting developing world entrepreneurs and engaging yourself in the fight against poverty. Together, we can make a difference!



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