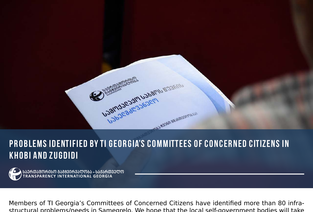

PROBLEMS IDENTIFIED BY TI GEORGIA'S COMMITTEES OF CONCERNED CITIZENS IN KHOBI AND ZUGDIDI

Members of TI Georgia's Committees of Concerned Citizens have identified more than 80 infrastructural problems/needs in Samegrelo. We hope that the local self-government bodies will take account of the identified needs of citizens in the draft budgets of 2021 as much as possible.

This year, citizens living in Khobi have also joined the Committees of Concerned Citizens in Samegrelo. Therefore, with the aim of advocating the identified problems, we also started working actively with the Khobi City hall, together with the Zugdidi Municipality.

The local population in both municipalities demands the improvement of communal infrastructure from the self-government bodies. In particular, the problems include the current condition of the road surface in many settlements; the poor condition of electric power poles; the situation in outpatient clinics in villages; broken-down infrastructure in a part of kindergartens; the composition and schedule of public transport; the situation in recreational areas; etc.

The Committees of Concerned Citizens are informal associations of citizens created through the initiative of TI Georgia which aim to resolve problems in municipalities with direct involvement of the local population and with the mediation provided by our organization.

In 2019, members of the Committees of Concerned Citizens in Zugdidi identified more than 60 infrastructural and communal problems/needs in Zugdidi and Poti, the full or partial resolution of 35 of which is provided for in the 2019 budgets of the municipalities.

In 2020, we held meetings, organized by the Committees, with the population of more than 20 villages in Zugdidi, Khobi, and Tsalenjikha and applied to the municipalities with a request to address the identified problems.

One more novelty in the Committees' work this year was that we introduced to the public active citizens by means of video clips and informed the population about the problems that had been resolved by local self-government bodies on these citizens' initiative: we paid particular attention to the problems resolved in Zugdidi, Anaklia and the village of Jumi.

TI Georgia is going to present to the public this year's report on the activities of the Committees in Samegrelo in the nearest future. Currently, active work is underway on the draft budgets of the municipalities of Zugdidi and Khobi, where it's important to ensure that they provide for effective and timely resolution of the local population's problems as much as possible.

The document on the needs revealed by our Committees of Concerned Citizens may be an important source for local municipalities to identify infrastructural and other types of problems. With this aim, below we give a list of problems named by citizens in Zugdidi and Khobi:

ZUGDIDI MUNICIPALITY	
CITY OF ZUGDIDI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Laying asphalt on the road surface on King Gubaz Street
	Rehabilitation/laying asphalt on the road segment from TBC Bank branch to the bridge on the Chkhoushia River on Kostava Street in Zugdidi
	Laying asphalt on the road surface on Tolstoy Street
	Rehabilitation of a children's playground on Janashia Street
	Laying asphalt on two segments of the road leading to the IDP settlement on Laghidze Street (roads from Laghidze and Kiria Streets)
	Laying asphalt on the road surface on Pavle Ingorokva Street
	Laying asphalt on the road surface on Kheivani Street
	Completion of the rehabilitation of the football pitch on Tsotne Dadiani Street
	Rehabilitation of the surface of the football pitch on Lazi Street and replacement of damaged parts of the fence
	Laying asphalt on the road surface on Saakadze Street
	Laying asphalt on the road surface on Mikheil Khergiani Street
	Laying asphalt on the road surface on Tedo Sakhokia Street
	Renewal of the road surface on Egrisi Street
	Laying asphalt and arrangement of drainage canals on Barnov Street
	Installation of speed bumps on Samegrelo and Lermontov Streets
	Rehabilitation of the small bridge on Volgograd Street (arrangement of railings and expansion of the carriageway), laying asphalt on the same street
ABASTUMANI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Arrangement of a concrete surface on internal roads (on the slopes)
	Beautification of the war memorial
AKHALABASTUMANI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Laying asphalt on the road surface on Gamisonia Street
ANAKLIA	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Laying asphalt on the remaining segment of the road on Dgebuadze Street
AKHALKAKHATI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Arrangement of a speed barrier on the Akhalkakhati-Oktomberi road
	Arrangement of a square in the yard of the administrative building
AKHALSOPELI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Laying asphalt on the road connecting Akhalsopeli and Jumi
	Rehabilitation/laying asphalt on the road from Zugdidi to the village center, completion of the outdoor lighting system on the same street
ALERTKARI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Rehabilitation of damaged water supply system
	Improvement of internal roads
	Construction of a new kindergarten building
DARCHELI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Laying asphalt on the road surface on Gorgasali Street
	Placement of waste collection containers in the territory of the village
ERGETA	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Laying asphalt on the road and arrangement of outdoor lighting system in the settlement of Didi Gvimra
KAKHATI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Laying asphalt on the road and arrangement of outdoor lighting in Etseri neighborhood
KOKI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Beautification of the square in Koki
KORTSKHELI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Rehabilitation of the outpatient clinic
	Dismantling of the broken-down building of the House of Culture in the village center
NARAZENI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Arrangement of a water supply system in blind alley no. 1 of Freedom Street
	Laying asphalt on the road in Sakalandio neighborhood
NATSATU	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Laying asphalt on the road
NATSULUKU	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Construction of a new kindergarten building (for 70 children)
	Laying asphalt on the road and arrangement of a drainage canal and outdoor lighting system on Queen Tamar Street
ODISHI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Rehabilitation of the kindergarten
OPACHKHAPU	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Arrangement of a water supply system
RUKHI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Transfer of an administrative building in the village center to the ownership of the municipality and its rehabilitation
	Arrangement of a water supply system
	Construction of an outpatient clinic in the village
URTA	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Arrangement of a water supply system
	Rehabilitation of internal roads
UCHASHONA	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Laying asphalt on the road from Uchashona to Gorky Street in Zugdidi
	Arrangement of a water supply system
SHAMADELA	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Renovation of the reception area for citizens in the office of the village trustee
	Arrangement of a sport pitch
TSAISHI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Rehabilitation of internal roads
	Placement of address signboards on all streets
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	Rehabilitation of internal roads
	Placement of address signboards on all streets
TSVANE	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Laying asphalt on the road from Ergeta to the Black Sea coast and installation of an outdoor lighting system
CHITATSKARI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Arrangement of a water supply system
	Laying asphalt on the road surface on Konstantine Gamsakhurdia and Zviad Gamsakhurdia Streets
	Rehabilitation of the outpatient clinic of the village
	Laying asphalt on the road leading to the hospital for infectious diseases
KHETSERA	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Restoration of the kindergarten
	Renovation of the reception area for citizens in the office of the village trustee
KHURCHA	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Arrangement of an outdoor lighting system on the Koki-Orsantia-Khurcha road
JUMI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Renovation of rooms designed for a library
	Laying asphalt on the road surface in Sarogavo-Sadaraselio neighborhood
	Arrangement of a mini-stadium in the area connecting Sajabuo and Opachkhapu
KHOBI MUNICIPALITY	
KULEVI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Rehabilitation of the water supply system in the new settlement neighborhood
	Laying asphalt on the road surface in the new settlement neighborhood
	Construction/equipment of a new building of the village's outpatient clinic
	Construction of a small kindergarten for 30-35 children
KARIATA	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Full rehabilitation of a collapsed pedestrian bridge on the Khobistskali River
	Arrangement of drainage canals and ditches on agricultural lands
SHUA KHORGA	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Laying asphalt on the road in Sanadaraia neighborhood
PIRVELI KHORGA	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Installation of additional posts for street lighting system on the central road
	Addition of waste collection containers and large waste bins on Mitskhulava Street
SAJIAO	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Laying asphalt on the road connecting Japishakri and the village center, improvement of drainage canals on the same road
	Rehabilitation of the outpatient clinic of the village
KHAMISKURI	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Rehabilitation of the water supply system
	Laying asphalt on the road surface in Sakirio neighborhood (on Vazha-Pshavela, Kobakhidze and other streets)
	Construction of a mini-stadium in Sakario neighborhood
KHETA	**DEMAND OF THE POPULATION**
	Beautification of the park/square beside the administrative building
	Placement of waste bins on all streets (at least one bin on each street)

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