# PROJECT FACTSHEET

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**ABC.GoV. Alliance for Better City Governance**

**Duration:** 01.02.2021 - 31.05.2024

**Countries:**
Armenia

**Total budget:** € 4 360 850

**Implementer:**
Vanadzor Municipality, Armenia, Gyumri Municipality, Armenia

**Social media:**
facebook.com/Alliance-for-Better-City-Governance-105176938369500/?ref=pages_you_manage

**Website(s):** vanadzor.am/abc_gov/

**Project description:**
Description of the project: The aim of the project is to promote sustainable and green management of the urban governance of Vanadzor and Gyumri through improvement of policies, procedures and services in this area.

Action in Brief:
With the financial support of the European Union, Vanadzor and Gyumri, the second and the third largest cities of Armenia, assisted by their European partner city Pila from Poland, are embarking on a process of strengthening urban governance. This will be done by creating institutional capacities to address some of the priority gaps in governance and by bringing European experience and knowledge closer to the Armenian context.
Thanks to the project, Vanadzor and Gyumri will be supported to develop Geographical Information Systems that is vital for urban planning. With a unified system for data storage and management, city managers will access the information they need immediately for making quality decisions related to infrastructure, utility systems, communication networks, spacial planning, environmental protection, etc. In developing this important system, the European experience will be sought.
Vanadzor and Gyumri municipalities will pioneer in Armenia in introducing smart public transportation solutions by establishing electronic ticket validation system and importing the first 10 environmentally friendly electric buses. This will

**Expected results:**
The expected results include:
• Vanadzor and Gyumri Municipalities have policies and procedures which contribute to sustainable and innovative urban planning, waste recycling and "green" public transportation
• The Municipalities operate “green” public transportation with electronic ticketing system;
• The Municipalities operate plastic recycling production line producing construction materials for improvement of public spaces;
• The Municipalities have improved waste management systems;
• Public knowledge and information on adverse effects of plastic waste and carbon emissions in public health and environment is improved;
• Technical capacities of municipal staff to operate new urban planning, waste management and transportation facilities is enhanced.