

## **COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA 1/2**

STATE

**2018 MUNICIPAL EQUALITY INDEX SCORECARD** 

COUNTY MUNICIPAL AVAILABLE

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## I. Non-Discrimination Laws

This category evaluates whether discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity is prohibited by the city, county, or state in areas of employment, housing, and public accommodations.

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Employment		00	00	00	55
Housing		00	00	5 5	5 5
Public Accommodations		•	55	55	55
SCORE				<b>20</b> ou	t of 30
BONUS	Single-Occupancy All-Gender Facilities	+0	+0	+0	+2
BONUS	Protects Youth from Conversion Therapy	+0	+0	+0	+2

### II. Municipality as Employer

By offering equivalent benefits and protections to LGBTQ employees, awarding contracts to fair-minded businesses, and taking steps to ensure an inclusive workplace, municipalities commit themselves to treating LGBTQ employees equally.

Non-Discrimination in City Employment			77	77	
Transgender-Inclusive Healthcare Benefits				6	
City Contractor Non-Discrimination Ordinance			30	33	
Inclusive Workplace			0	2	
SCORE			<b>17</b> out of 28		
BONUS	City Employee Domestic Partner Benefits		+0	+1	
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Human Rights Commission		0	0	(5)	
NDO Enforcement by Human Rights Commission		0	0	2	
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## III. Municipal Services

This section assesses the efforts of the city to ensure LGBTQ constituents are included in city services and programs.

#### LGBTQ Liaison in City Executive's Office (5) (5) **5** out of 12 SCORE **BONUS** Youth Bullying Prevention Policy for +1 +1 City Services **BONUS** City Provides Services to LGBTQ Youth BONUS City Provides Services to LGBTQ +2 +0 Homeless +2 **BONUS** City Provides Services to LGBTQ Elders **BONUS** City Provides Services HIV/AIDS Population **BONUS** City Provides Services to the

Transgender Community

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## **IV.** Law Enforcement

Fair enforcement of the law includes LGBTQ Police Liais responsible reporting of hate crimes and engaging with the LGBTQ community in a thoughtful and respectful way.

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# V. Leadership on LGBTQ Equa

This category measures the city leadership's Leadership's Public commitment to fully include the LGBTQ community and to advocate for full equality. Leadership's Pro-E Efforts SCORE

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BONUS City Test Law

PTS FOR SEXUAL ORIENTATION – PTS FOR GENDER IDENTITY

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ison or Task Force	(10)	(10)	
ate Crimes Statistics	12	12	
	<b>22</b> out of 22		

ality	MUNICIPAL	AVAILABLE
ic Position on LGBTQ Equality	5	5
Equality Legislative or Policy	2	3
	<b>7</b> out of 8	
LGBTO Elected or Appointed al Leaders	+0	+2
ts Limits of Restrictive State	+0	+3

TOTAL SCORE 71 + TOTAL BONUS 0 =



**CANNOT EXCEED 100** 

BONUS PTS for criteria not accessible to all cities at this time.