

### **ALBANY, NEW YORK 1/2 2014 MUNICIPAL EQUALITY INDEX SCORECARD**

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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.

Laws	
Employment	
Housing	
Public Accommodations	

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STATE



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**18** out of 18

# II. Relationship Recognition

Marriage, civil unions, and comprehensive domestic partnerships are matters of state policy; cities and counties have only the power to create domestic partner registries.

Marriage Equality, Civil Unions, or Domestic Partnerships

Domestic Partner Registry



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SCORE

**12** out of 12

(12)

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## III. Municipality as Employer

By offering equivalent benefits and protections to LGBT employees, and by awarding contracts to fair-minded businesses, municipalities commit themselves to treating LGBT employees equally.

Non-Discrimination in City Employment	5 5	5 5
Domestic Partner Health Benefits	4	4
Transgender-Inclusive Healthcare Benefits	0	4
Legal Dependent Benefits	(2)	2
Equivalent Family Leave	(2)	2
City Contractor Non-Discrimination Ordinance	00	2 2
City Contractor Equal Benefits Ordinance	0	3
SCORE	<b>18</b> out	of 29
BONUS Grossing Up of Employee Benefits	+0	+2
BONUS Inclusive Workplace	+2	+2

PTS FOR SEXUAL ORIENTATION —



PTS FOR GENDER IDENTITY



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

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All cities rated were provided their scorecard in advance of publication and given the opportunity to submit revisions. For feedback regarding a particular city's scorecard, please email mei@hrc.org.

IV. Municipal Services

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

Human Rights Commission

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LGBT Liaison to City Executive Enumerated Anti-Bullying Policies

**BONUS** NDO enforcement by

LGBT youth

LGBT elderly

LGBT homeless

Commission/Executive

**BONUS** City provides services to/supports

people living with HIV/AIDS





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**10** out of 15



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V. Law Enforcement

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

LGBT Police Liaison or Task Force

Reported 2012 Hate Crimes Statistics to the FBI

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VI. Relationship with the LGBT Community

This category measures the city leadership's commitment to fully include the LGBT community and to advocate for full equality.

Leadership's Public Position on LGBT Equality

Leadership's Pro-Equality Legislative/Policy Efforts

**BONUS** Openly LGBT elected or appointed municipal leaders **BONUS** City tests limits of restrictive

state law

**TOTAL SCORE 74 + TOTAL BONUS 10 =** 

Final Score 84

**CANNOT EXCEED 100** 

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