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2014 MUNICIPAL EQUALITY INDEX SCORECARD

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IV.

IV. Municipal Service	S		STATE	COUNTY	CITY	AVAILABLE
This section assesses the efforts of the city to ensure LGBT constituents are included in city services and programs.	Human R	lights Commission			0	(4)
	LGBT Liaison to City Executive				0	5
	Enumera	ted Anti-Bullying Policies	33	00	00	33
	SCORE				6 out of 15	
	BONUS	NDO enforcement by Commission/Executive			+0	+3
	BONUS	City provides services to/supports LGBT youth			+0	+2
	BONUS	City provides services to/supports LGBT homeless			+0	+2
	BONUS	City provides services to/supports LGBT elderly			+0	+2
	BONUS	City provides services to/supports people living with HIV/AIDS			+2	+2
V. Law Enforcement					СІТҮ	AVAILABLE
Fair enforcement of the law includes responsible reporting of hate crimes and engaging with the LGBT community in a thoughtful and respectful way.	LGBT Po	lice Liaison or Task Force			0	(8)
	Reported 2012 Hate Crimes Statistics to the FBI					10
	SCORE				10 out of 18	
VI. Relationship with	the L	_GBT Community			CITY	AVAILABLE
This category measures the city leadership's commitment to fully include the LGBT community and to advocate for full equality.	Leadersh	ip's Public Position on LGBT Equality			3	5
	Leadersh Efforts	ip's Pro-Equality Legislative/Policy			0	3
	SCORE				3 out of 8	
	BONUS	Openly LGBT elected or appointed municipal leaders			+0	+3
	BONUS	City tests limits of restrictive state law			+0	+2
		SCORE 71 + TOTAL BONUS 2 =		Fina		re 73

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Ι.	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.

Employment 30 Housing 30 Public Accommodations 30 SCORE

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

SCORE

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	22 22
City Contractor Equal Benefits Ordinance	0 3
SCORE	22 out of 29
BONUS Grossing Up of Employee Benefits	+0 +2
BONUS Inclusive Workplace	+0 +2

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

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Final Score **73**