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2014 MUNICIPAL EQUALITY INDEX SCORECARD

I. Non-Discrimination	Laws	STATE	COUNTY	CITY	AVAILABLE
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	3 3	00	30	33
	Housing	33	00	30	33
	Public Accommodations	33	00	30	3 3
	SCORE		18 out of 18		
II. Relationship Recognition		STATE	COUNTY	CITY	AVAILABLE
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	12			12
	Domestic Partner Registry		0	12	12
	SCORE			12 o	ut of 12

III. Municipality as Employer

PTS FOR SEXUAL ORIENTATION ----- PTS FOR GENDER IDENTITY

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.

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Non-Discrimination in City Employment	5 5	55
Domestic Partner Health Benefits	4	4
Transgender-Inclusive Healthcare Benefits	(4)	(4)
Legal Dependent Benefits	(2)	(2)
Equivalent Family Leave	(2)	(2)
City Contractor Non-Discrimination Ordinance	20	2 2
City Contractor Equal Benefits Ordinance	0	3
SCORE	24 o	ut of 29
BONUS Grossing Up of Employee Benefits	+0	+2
BONUS Inclusive Workplace	+2	+2

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

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IV. Municipal Service	es	STATE COU	NTY CITY AVAILABLE
This section assesses the efforts of the city to ensure LGBT constituents are included in city services and programs.	Human Rights Commission		
	LGBT Liaison to City Executive		(5) (5)
	Enumerated Anti-Bullying Policies	33 3	
	SCORE		11 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		+0 +2
V. Law Enforcement			CITY 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 Police Liaison or Task Force		$\begin{pmatrix} 4 \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} 8 \end{pmatrix}$
	Reported 2012 Hate Crimes Statistics to the FBI		
	SCORE		14 out of 18
VI. Relationship with	the LGBT Community	у	CITY AVAILABLE
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		5 5
	Leadership's Pro-Equality Legislative/Policy Efforts		
	SCORE		6 out of 8
	BONUS Openly LGBT elected or appointed municipal leaders		+3 +3
	BONUS City tests limits of restrictive state law		+0 +2

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TOTAL SCORE 85 + TOTAL BONUS 5 =

Final Score 90

CANNOT EXCEED 100