

## **DES MOINES, IOWA 1/2**

**2019 MUNICIPAL EQUALITY INDEX SCORECARD** 

COUNTY

#### 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.

Employment

**SCORE** 

Housing Public Accommodations





MUNICIPAL AVAILABLE

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STATE





MUNICIPAL



AVAILABLE

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## 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.

III. Municipal Services

This section assesses the efforts of the city

to ensure LGBTQ constituents are included

in city services and programs.

Non-Discrimination in City Employment

**BONUS** Single-Occupancy All-Gender

**BONUS** Protects Youth from Conversion

Facilities

Therapy

Transgender-Inclusive Healthcare Benefits

City Contractor Non-Discrimination Ordinance

Inclusive Workplace

SCORE

Human Rights Commission

NDO Enforcement by Human Rights

LGBTQ Liaison in City Executive's Office

**BONUS** City Employee Domestic Partner Benefits

COUNTY



CITY



**28** out of 28



AVAILABLE







**12** out of 12

#### SCORE

**BONUS** Youth Bullying Prevention Policy for City Services



**BONUS** City Provides Services to LGBTQ Homeless People **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 responsible reporting of hate crimes and engaging with the LGBTQ community in a thoughtful and respectful way.

LGBTQ Police Liaison or Task Force

Reported 2017 Hate Crimes Statistics to the FBI

SCORE

12

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**22** out of 22

# V. Leadership on LGBTQ Equality

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

Leadership's Public Position on LGBTQ Equality

Leadership's Pro-Equality Legislative or Policy Efforts

SCORE

**BONUS** Openly LGBTQ Elected or Appointed Municipal Leaders

**BONUS** City Tests Limits of Restrictive State

MUNICIPAL AVAILABLE

**7** out of 8

**TOTAL SCORE 93 + TOTAL BONUS 0 =** 

Final Score 93

**CANNOT EXCEED 100** 

PTS FOR SEXUAL ORIENTATION — PTS FOR GENDER IDENTITY





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

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