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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**NOTE:** The MEI does not credit cities for state, county, or municipal non-discrimination laws that prohibit discrimination only based on sex, or that prohibit discrimination that only applies to members of the opposite sex.

FLEX SCORE: +0 = 30 out of 30

II. Municipality as Employer

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

Non-Discrimination in City Employment  
Transgender-Inclusive Healthcare Benefits  
City Contractor Non-Discrimination Ordinance  
Inclusive Workplace

FLEX SCORE: +2 = 22 out of 28

III. Municipal Services

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

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FLEX SCORE: +1 = 5 out of 12

IV. 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+ Liaison/Task Force in Police Department  
Reported 2020 Hate Crimes Statistics to the FBI

FLEX SCORE: +2 = 22 out of 22

V. Leadership on LGBT+ Equality

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 or Policy Efforts

FLEX SCORE: +3 = 7 out of 8

**On June 15, 2020, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in Bostock v. Clayton County, Georgia that sexual orientation and gender identity discrimination are prohibited under federal sex-based employment protections. Nevertheless, it is imperative that localities continue enacting explicitly LGBT+-inclusive comprehensive non-discrimination laws since it will only take additional litigation for Bostock to be fully applied to all sex-based protections under existing federal civil rights law. Moreover, federal law currently lacks sex-based protections in numerous key areas of life, including public spaces and services. Lastly, there are many invaluable benefits to localizing inclusive protections even when they exist on higher levels of government. For these reasons, the MEI will continue to only award credit in Part I for state, county, or municipal non-discrimination laws that expressly include sexual orientation and gender identity.

**For criteria not accessible to all cities at this time.

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