



For over three hundred years, New Orleans has stood apart as a welcoming haven for residents and visitors alike. Our city has a rich history steeped in tradition and shaped with stories of events that have reshaped society as we know it. New Orleans is built on diversity and remains a place where music, art, history, food, and people of different ethnicities, nationalities, and sexual orientations mix and mingle. Below are some resources that demonstrate our commitment to remaining a safe and welcoming place for all.

New Orleans' Commitment to being a safe, welcoming destination for the LGBTQ+ community:

- New Orleans Scores 100 on Human Rights Campaign MEI Rating:
 - Non-Discrimination Laws 30/30
 - Law Enforcement 22/22
 - Leadership on LGBTQ+ Equality 8/8 + 5/5 Flex

<https://hrc-prod-requests.s3-us-west-2.amazonaws.com/MEI-2022-New-Orleans-Louisiana.pdf>

- New Orleans City Press Release Emphasizing Commitment to LGBTQ+ Community:
<https://nola.gov/next/mayors-office/news/articles/november-2019/city-of-new-orleans-earns-perfect-score-from-human-rights-campaign%E2%80%99s-municipal-equality-index/>
- City Council Ordinance in Support of the Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Community (TGNC):
<https://council.nola.gov/meetings/2021/20211104-regular-meeting/>

Initiatives and Resources:

- New Orleans & Company website:
 - [Reverse Parade Video](#)
 - <https://www.neworleans.com/things-to-do/lgbt/>
 - <https://www.neworleans.com/things-to-do/lgbt/resources-for-the-trans-community/>
- Everyone's Welcome Here:
<https://www.neworleans.com/welcoming/>
- House of Tulip Gender Affirming Business Guide:
<https://houseoftulip.org/guide>
- University of New Orleans LGBTQ+ Community Resource Center:
<https://libguides.uno.edu/LGBTQ/lgbtqcommunityresources>

