§ 370. Community centers and services for senior citizens; when social services official to furnish. 1. A social services official of a county, city or town is authorized, provided funds have been made available therefor, to provide at public expense one or more community centers and services for senior citizens residing in his territory who are eligible therefor pursuant to the provisions of this title. Such centers and services may be provided only in cases where it is determined, under criteria established by the department, that there is a need therefor.

2. The furnishing of such centers and services is hereby declared to be proper municipal purpose for which the moneys of a county, city or town may be raised and expended. A county, city or town may receive and expend moneys from the state, the federal government or private individuals, corporations or associations for furnishing such centers and services.

3. Community centers and services for senior citizens under this title may be provided by a social services official either directly or through the purchase or rental of such centers and services from a private non-profit corporation, company or association provided they are operated and furnished in compliance with regulations of the department.