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Drumright VFD receives \$200,000 grant

BIG SPRING, Texas -- Thanks to a grant from Texas A&M Forest Service, Drumright Volunteer Fire Department received a large brush truck as a new addition to their fleet.

“This unit will make a big difference in the department’s ability to serve and protect the citizens in Drumright VFD’s service area,” said TFS Regional Fire Coordinator, Bill Davis.

The truck is equipped with a Compressed Air Foam System that is used in firefighting to deliver fire retardant foam for extinguishing a fire. The CAFS system is a significant innovation in modern fire suppression technology, changing the way fires are attacked and extinguished.

“The CAFS provides us with a wider range of strategic options on our calls and we feel that the low profile tank is more stable in rough off road conditions,” said Drumright VFD Fire Chief Baylor Walker.

“The TFS grant programs are extremely important to rural sparsely populated counties,” said Walker. “Without the support of our county officials and TFS, our department’s capabilities would be extremely limited.”

Volunteer firefighters operate 85 percent of the fire departments in Texas. This year TFS will pass approximately \$24.3 million along to VFDs across the state. The grants aid them in purchasing equipment and obtaining vital firefighter training, giving them greater capabilities to protect life and property in their communities.

To learn more about this program visit texasfd.com

