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## New rescue equipment improves rescue capabilities for Crockett VFD

March 1, 2016 — Crockett, Texas — Crockett Volunteer Fire Department received a grant for \$15,000 from Texas A&M Forest Service. The funds received went to purchase new rescue equipment.

"The new rescue equipment has been placed on engine number 1, takes up little space and is easy to set up and use," said Crockett VFD Fire Chief John Angerstein,

The needs of the department have continually advanced since their inception in 1894, especially with Loop 304, an area better served by updated rescue equipment. The department has already placed the new tools into service and has used them several times in rescue response.

While serving under Texas A&M AgriLife, Texas A&M Forest Service works with fire service cooperators throughout the state to minimize the loss of life and property in response to wildfires and other all-hazard emergencies. This year Texas A&M Forest Service will award approximately \$24.3 million in grants to volunteer fire departments for the purchase of equipment and training.

To learn more about this program visit <u>texasfd.com</u>.

