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Wake Village Volunteer Fire Department receives new truck

WAKE VILLAGE, Texas – The Wake Village Volunteer Fire Department recently received a \$100,000 grant from Texas A&M Forest Service to purchase a small brush truck. The new truck will replace an older vehicle that had clocked over 200,000 miles.

“This is the first new brush truck for our department,” said Fire Chief James Guyton. “Our older truck was a repair nightmare so we are happy to have something that will be very dependable.”

The brush truck has four-wheel drive, which will give it off-road capabilities. This versatile machine will be useful in Wake Village VFD’s service area that is everything from urban to fields and dense woods. The fire department also assists in mutual aid for railroad derailments, wildfires and other emergency incidents.

“This new brush truck will help increase Wake Village’s response capabilities. I’m very proud to see the difference that TFS is able to make with grant programs like the HB2604 that helps better equip communities,” said TFS Regional Fire Coordinator Nathan Carroll.

The new brush truck will take fewer volunteers to operate and the remote controlled water cannon will allow the fire fighters to attack flames from the safety of the truck.

According to Deputy Fire Chief Bruce Dinsmore, “TFS grants make it possible for many departments to obtain quality equipment and has partnered with volunteer fire departments of all sizes making it possible for them to operate in a safer manor through training, protective equipment and other fire gear grants.”

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.

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