



	FY 2024	Inception through FY24
Rural VFD Assistance Program (HB 2604) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Launched in 2001 by House Bill 2604 Provides grants to rural VFDs for firefighting vehicles, fire/rescue equipment, protective clothing, computer systems, dry hydrants, and firefighter training Currently funded at \$16,799,313 million per year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not including additional \$5 million per year allotted for FY24-25 	67 Truck Grants 233 Equipment Grants 2,121 Tuition Grants 76 Training Aids 4,619 Trainees \$20,390,289	2,185 Truck Grants 10,909 Equipment Grants 31,638 Tuition Grants 1,944 Training Aids 104,014 Trainees \$359,783,084
Volunteer Fire Assistance Funds: Federal funds used by RVFDAP	\$461,767	\$12,555,929
Emergency Grants (through RVFDAP): Available for states of disaster (replacement/repair of damaged or lost equipment) and catastrophic losses (cost-share apparatus or other HB 2604 program elements, or repair/replacement of essential equipment)	151 State of Disaster Grants \$1,645,234	621 State of Disaster Grants \$4,149,844
	27 Catastrophic Loss Grants \$380,782	130 Catastrophic Loss Grants \$3,558,293
DoD Firefighter Property (FFP) Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Launched in 2010 Provides excess Department of Defense military property to VFDs. Ownership of the equipment is passed from the federal government to the fire department. 	71 Assists 71 Items \$9,109,858	1,059 Assists 1,288 Items \$114,821,510
Federal Excess Personal Property (FEPP) Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Established in 1949, launched in Texas in 1975 Provides excess federal property on loan at no cost to VFDs 	Actively Assigned Property: 199 Communities 283 Assets \$11,671,693	6,276 Communities 6,315 Assets \$97,798,038
Helping Hands Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Launched in 1997 by House Bill 680 Allows donations of used fire/rescue equipment, fire trucks, and other items to be made available to VFDs while relieving donors of liability 	158 Departments \$2,321,520	1,455 Departments \$39,314,262
Rural VFD Insurance Program (HB 3667) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Launched in 2001 by House Bill 3667 Reimburses eligible VFDs for insurance (workers' comp., death/disability, accident/sickness, etc.) from private Texas insurance companies Reimburses 100% of the actual cost, up to a maximum of \$185 per fire department member Funded by a 2% sales tax on the sale of fireworks Application period: November 1 - July 31 	13,998 Firefighters 642 Departments \$2,458,559	277,903 Firefighters 11,190 Departments \$28,839,106
Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System (TIFMAS) Grants Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Launched in 2009 Provides grants to career fire departments and non-2604 eligible VFDs for firefighting vehicles and training tuitions Currently funded at \$1 million per year from insurance maintenance taxes/fees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not including additional \$1.5 million per year allotted for FY24-25 	277 Tuition Grants 658 Trainees 4 Fire Apparatus \$2,480,440	2,601 Tuition Grants 10,597 Trainees 61 Fire Apparatus \$16,127,663
VFD Motor Vehicle Self Insurance Program (Risk Pool) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Launched in 1995 by Senate Bill 1232 Provides low cost vehicle liability insurance, \$75/vehicle/year Coverage levels: \$100k per person for bodily injury, max \$300k per occurrence; \$100k for property damage, max \$100k per occurrence 	139 VFDs 637 Vehicles	664 VFDs 5,484 Vehicles