

ANNUAL REPORT August 5, 2003

RURAL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT INSURANCE PROGRAM (HB 3667)

I. OVERVIEW

The Rural Volunteer Fire Department Insurance Program (House Bill 3667) was established in 2001 by the 77th Texas Legislature. The program provides funds to rural volunteer fire departments for the purchase of workers' compensation, death, and disability insurance for firefighters. The program is funded through the Rural Volunteer Fire Department Insurance Fund, which is composed of revenue collected from a two-percent tax on the retail sale of fireworks under Tax Code Chapter 161.

The program is administered by the Texas Forest Service.

II. ACTIVITY

In October of 2002, the Rural Volunteer Fire Department Insurance Program Advisory Committee was appointed. Based upon the Committee's recommendations, Implementation Guidelines for the program were developed and approved in February 2003.

The program issues a flat-rate grant per covered firefighter for the purchase of insurance coverage.

III. STATUS

Funds under this program first became available in September of 2002.

The Texas Forest Service conducted two sign-up periods which were open for 60-days each:

Enrollment Date March-April 2003

Enrollment Date June-July 2003

131 Fire Departments Approved

136 Fire Departments Approved

3,344 Firefighters Covered

3,917 Firefighters Covered

\$240,504 in Grant Funds Approved

\$184,847 in Grant Funds Approved

The attached summary presents the disposition of grant funds in FY 2003.

The Texas Forest Service was authorized to use up to 7% of the fund to administer this program. However, no funds were expended for administration. All funds were disbursed in the form of reimbursement grants to fire departments.

IV. LEGISLATIVE NEED

There is no legislative need at this time.

V. EFFECTIVENESS

This is a highly effective program. In its first year of operation, grants have been issued which have assisted in providing insurance coverage for over 7,261 volunteer firefighters.

Additionally, the Texas Forest Service has been able to build an efficient and streamlined application and awards process for volunteer fire departments.



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Fire Department Requests on File:

287

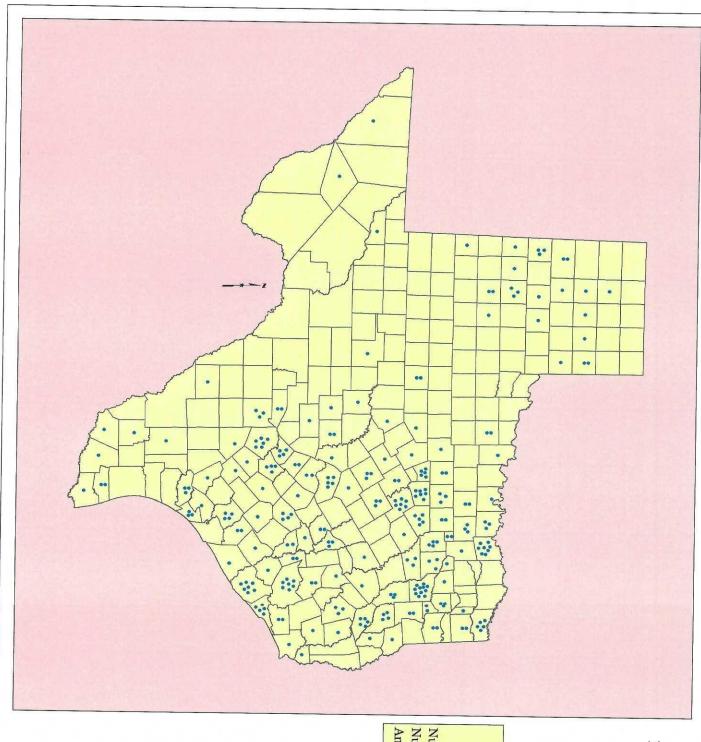
Fire Department Requests Funded:

267

Amount Approved:

\$425,351.30

	1 st Funding Meeting	2 nd Funding Meeting	Total YTD
Number of Departments	131	136	267
Number of Firefighters	3,344	3,917	7,261
Amount Approved	\$240,504.30	\$184,847.00	\$425,351.30



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Insurance Approvals (indicated by •)

Number of Departments: 265 Number of Firefighters: 7,261 Amount Approved: \$425,351.30

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#	Stat	VFD	County	Maximum Grant Amount	
1	D	2604 VFD	HILL	\$1,600.00	
2	Α	ABLES SPRINGS V F D	KAUFMAN	\$960.00	
3	Α	ALEDO V F D	PARKER	\$1,344.00	
4	D	ALTO V F D	CHEROKEE	\$78.00	
5	N	ALVARADO F D	JOHNSON	\$1,056.00	
6	D	ALVIN V F D	BRAZORIA	\$5,200.00	
7	N	ANAHUAC V F D	CHAMBERS	\$1,600.00	
8	N	ARCHER CITY V F D	ARCHER	\$1,200.00	
9	D	ARGYLE V F D	DENTON	\$2,880.00	
10	Α	ARP V F D	SMITH	\$1,296.00	
11	D	ATA-BEXAR COUNTY LINE VFD	BEXAR	\$2,000.00	
12	N	ATASCOCITA V F D	HARRIS	\$9,120.00	
13	D	AVALON V F D	ELLIS	\$1,161.00	
14	D	BACLIFF V F D	GALVESTON	\$1,280.00	
15	Α	BARDWELL AREA VFD	ELLIS	\$864.00	
16	Α	BELTON V F D	BELL	\$2,400.00	
17	D	BEN WHEELER V F D	VAN ZANDT	\$1,440.00	
18	D	BLACK JACK VFD	BURLESON	\$2,107.00	
19	N	BLANCONIA V F D	BEE	\$864.00	
20	Α	BLESSING V F D	MATAGORDA	\$720.00	
21	D	BLUFF DALE V F D	ERATH	\$1,760.00	
22	Α	BLUM V F D	HILL	\$864.00	
23	D	BOOTLEG V F D	DEAF SMITH	\$1,120.00	
24	Α	BOVINA V F D	PARMER	\$1,056.00	
25	D	BRACKEN V F D	COMAL	\$1,840.00	
26	D	BRANCH V F D	COLLIN	\$2,056.00	
27	D	BRAZOS V F D	PALO PINTO	\$816.00	
28	D	BRAZOS CO PCT #3 V F D	BRAZOS	\$1,600.00	
29	D	BRAZOS CO PCT. 4 VFD	BRAZOS	\$1,600.00	
30	N	BRENHAM V F D	WASHINGTON	\$4,320.00	
31	D	BRIAROAKS V F D	JOHNSON	\$1,600.00	
32	Α	BRISCOE V F D	WHEELER	\$720.00	
33	Α	BRISTOL V F D	ELLIS	\$864.00	
34	D	BUCHANAN V F D	LLANO	\$1,040.00	
35	Α	BULLARD V F D	CHEROKEE	\$1,200.00	
36	N	BULVERDE AREA V F D	COMAL	\$1,392.00	
37	Α	BYNUM V F D	HILL	\$960.00	
38	Ν	C - 5 RED LICK/LEARY V F D	BOWIE	\$1,760.00	
39	D	CANYON LAKE V F D	COMAL	\$1,840.00	
40	D	CARANCAHUA COMMUNITY VFD	JACKSON	\$640.00	
41		CARMINE V F D	FAYETTE	\$1,344.00	
42	D	CARRIZO SPRINGS V F D	DIMMIT	\$1,600.00	
43	D	CASS CO RFPD #2	CASS	\$1,060.00	
44	N	CASTROVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY	MEDINA	\$1,008.00	
45	99 %	CAT SPRING V F D	AUSTIN	\$3,600.00	
46		CE BAR V F D	TRAVIS	\$1,968.00	
47	10000	CHALK BLUFF V F D	MCLENNAN	\$1,200.00	
48	great v	CHAPEL-HILL V F D	SMITH	\$1,248.00	
49	2.5	CIBOLO V F D	GUADALUPE	NOV. ROMAN COM	
50		CISCO F D	EASTLAND	\$1,760.00 \$1,584.00	
51	5000700	CITY OF EDNA VOL FIRE DEPARTMENT	JACKSON	\$1,584.00	
52	1000	CITY OF HUNTINGTON V F D	ANGELINA	\$1,920.00	
53	esso.	CITY OF PLAINS VFD	YOAKUM	\$1,200.00 \$576.00	

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# Sta	at VFD	County	Maximum Grant Amount	
54 N	CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE F D	WILLACY	\$1,296.0	
55 A	CORRIGAN V F D	POLK	\$912.0	
56 N	COVINGTON V F D	HILL	\$864.0	
57 N	CRABBS PRAIRIE V F D	WALKER	\$816.0	
58 D	CRANDALL V F D	KAUFMAN	\$1,402.2	
59 D	CRESSON V F D	HOOD	\$1,920.0	
60 N	DALWORTHINGTON GDNS V F D	TARRANT	\$1,248.0	
61 D	DANBURY V F D	BRAZORIA	\$864.0	
62 D	DCBE/ACTON V F D	HOOD	\$2,400.0	
63 N	DEER PARK V F D	HARRIS	\$4,800.0	
64 N	DEVINE V F D	MEDINA	\$1,440.0	
65 D	DICKINSON V F D	GALVESTON	\$4,080.0	
66 D	DISTRICT TWO VFD, INC. BRAZOS	BRAZOS	\$960.0	
67 A		SMITH	\$1,200.00	
68 D	DODD CITY V F D	FANNIN	\$1,520.00	
69 N	DOUGLASSVILLE V F D	CASS	\$640.00	
70 D	DUMAS V F D	MOORE	\$2,160.0	
71 N	EAGLE MOUNTAIN V F D	TARRANT	\$1,680.00	
72 N	ECTOR V F D	FANNIN	\$672.00	
73 N	EDMONSON V F D	HALE	\$960.00	
74 D	EL CAMPO V F D	WHARTON	\$4,480.00	
75 N	ELDERVILLE-LAKEPORT V F D	GREGG	\$960.00	
76 D	C Parties And Control to the Section S	ELLIS	\$1,770.00	
77 A	EXPERIENCE CONTRACTOR	NACOGDOCHES	\$672.00	
78 N		COLLIN	\$1,200.00	
79 A		PARMER	\$720.00	
80 D	A SAN SAN SAN SAN SAN SAN SAN SAN SAN SA	FAYETTE	\$1,920.00	
81 A	The statement of the st	SMITH	\$768.00	
82 D		WILLIAMSON	\$2,320.00	
83 D		VICTORIA	\$1,200.00	
84 N	M1 2500 (2000 - 2000) 30 (4000 (2000) 10 (400)	KAUFMAN	\$1,824.00	
85 N	A DISTRICT WATER OF THE COLUMN TO THE COLUMN	JEFF DAVIS	\$1,520.00	
86 A	WASHINGTON AND A RESIDENCE OF THE PROPERTY OF	GILLESPIE	\$1,872.00	
87 D		BRAZORIA	\$1,760.00	
88 D		DUVAL	\$2,182.00	
89 N	The state of the s	GALVESTON	\$5,760.00	
90 A		PARMER	\$1,056.00	
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91 D		VAN ZANDT	\$1,120.00 \$1,360.00	
93 N				
93 N		ANGELINA ARANSAS	\$1,296.00	
95 D	A SECOND	MARINE MARINE THE COURT IN THE	\$1,824.00	
		CHEROKEE	\$1,675.00	
96 D		GUADALUPE	\$1,760.00	
97 N	1 SEARCH CONTRACTOR MARKET MARKET MARKET ALL BUMBS.	BEXAR	\$3,440.00	
98 N		DALLAS	\$1,440.00	
99 N	The state of the s	GRAYSON	\$624.00	
100 D		BURNET	\$1,940.00	
101 N		HALE	\$1,760.00	
102 A		HALE	\$720.00	
103 D		HAMILTON	\$2,400.00	
104 D		SWISHER	\$594.00	
105 A	HARDIN CO ESD #5	HARDIN	\$2,352.00	
106 A	HEBBRONVILLE V F D	JIM HOGG	\$1,104.0	

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				Maximum Grant	
# St		VFD	County	Amount	
107	D	HEREFORD V F D	DEAF SMITH	\$2,240.0	
108	Α	HIDALGO V F D	HIDALGO	\$720.00	
109	D	HILLSBORO FIRE/RESCUE	\$2,720.00		
110	D	HOLLY LAKE V F D	WOOD	\$2,560.00	
111	Α	HONDO VOL FIRE COMPANY	MEDINA	\$2,016.00	
112	N	HOOVER V F D	GRAY	\$2,400.00	
113	A	HUDSON V F D	ANGELINA	\$1,200.00	
114	N	HUDSON OAKS V F D, INC.	PARKER	\$1,392.00	
115	N	IDALOU F D	LUBBOCK	\$1,056.00	
116	D	INDIAN HARBOR V F D	HOOD	\$1,600.00	
117	D	INGLESIDE V F D	SAN PATRICIO	\$3,133.00	
118	Α	JACKSON HEIGHTS V F D	SMITH	\$720.00	
119	D	JARRELL V F D	WILLIAMSON	\$3,040.00	
120	N	JARRET VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSN, INC	BEXAR	\$960.00	
121	D	JEFFERSON CO WATER DIST. #10 VFD	JEFFERSON	\$960.00	
122	N	JOLLY V F D	CLAY	\$1,120.00	
123	N	JONES CREEK V F D	BRAZORIA	\$1,120.00	
124	D	JONESBORO V F D	CORYELL	\$800.00	
125	D	JOSHUA FIRE DEPARTMENT	JOHNSON	\$3,360.00	
126	D	KARNES CITY V F D INC	KARNES	\$1,760.00	
127	D	LA CASITA V F D	STARR	\$1,647.00	
128	D	LAKE NACOGDOCHES AREA V F D	NACOGDOCHES	\$456.00	
129	N	LAKESIDE CITY V F D	ARCHER	\$912.00	
130	Α	LAMAR V F D	ARANSAS	\$1,200.00	
131	N	LARUE-NEW YORK V F D	HENDERSON	\$1,520.00	
132	D	LEANDER V F D	WILLIAMSON	\$2,240.00	
133	Α	LEDBETTER V F D	FAYETTE	\$2,592.00	
134	N	LEONA V F D	LEON	\$720.00	
135	D	LEVITA VFD	CORYELL	\$960.00	
136	D	LIBERTY CHAPEL V F D	JOHNSON	\$964.00	
137	D	LIBERTY HILL V F D	WILLIAMSON	\$1,920.00	
138	N	LIBERTY-EYLAU V F D	BOWIE	\$3,200.00	
139	D	LILLIAN VFD	JOHNSON	\$2,240.00	
140	N	LINDALE V F D	SMITH	\$2,400.00	
141	Α	LITTLEFIELD V F D	LAMB	\$1,440.00	
142	N	LOCUST COMMUNITY V F D	GRAYSON	\$1,040.00	
143	D	LONE TREE COMMUNITY V F D	VICTORIA	\$1,040.00	
144	Α	LONGHORN V F D	WILSON	\$1,600.00	
145	D	LORENA V F D	MCLENNAN	\$2,000.00	
146	D	LORENZO V F D	CROSBY	\$768.00	
147	Α	LOS FRESNOS V F D	CAMERON	\$1,152.00	
148	Α	LOVELADY V F D	HOUSTON	\$960.00	
149		LYFORD V F D	WILLACY	\$624.00	
150	D	LYTLE V F D	ATASCOSA	\$1,200.00	
151	26000	MAGNOLIA V F D	MONTGOMERY	\$5,280.00	
152		MANVEL V F D	BRAZORIA	\$2,320.00	
153		MARION V F D	GUADALUPE	\$1,200.00	
154	3404	MASON VFD	MASON	CHECK COLOR WITH COLOR	
155	55	MATHIS V F D	SAN PATRICIO	\$2,284.00	
156		MAUD VFD	BOWIE	\$461.00	
157		MCLENDON CHISHOLM V F D	ROCKWALL	\$1,248.00	
158	1000	MCQUEENEY V F D		\$768.00	
	1.5	MEDINA VFD	GUADALUPE	\$1,584.00	

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#	Stat	VFD	County	Maximum Grant Amount	
160	N	MERKEL V F D	TAYLOR	\$1,600.0	
161	Α	MISSION VALLEY V F D	VICTORIA	\$720.0	
162	N	MOFFETT V F D	ANGELINA	\$1,120.0	
163	D	MONAHANS V F D	WARD	\$508.0	
164	N	MONAVILLE V F D	WALLER	\$2,960.0	
165	D	MONTGOMERY DRIVE V F D	BEXAR	\$1,680.0	
166	D	MULDOON VFD	FAYETTE	\$1,440.00	
167	D	MULESHOE V F D	BAILEY	\$1,834.66	
168	N	NAPLES V F D	MORRIS	\$1,248.00	
169	D	NEVADA V F D	COLLIN	\$1,120.00	
170	D	NOLAN FIRE DEPARTMENT	JOHNSON	\$720.00	
171	Α	NOONDAY V F D	SMITH	\$1,344.00	
172	D	NORTH FANNIN CO V F D	FANNIN	\$1,440.00	
173	Α	NORTH HAYS CO V F D	HAYS	\$4,656.00	
174	Α	NORTH HOOD CO V F D	HOOD	\$864.00	
175	D	NORTH LAKE BROWNWOOD V F D AND EMS	BROWN	\$1,847.00	
176	N	NORTH TARRANT CO RF COMPANY	TARRANT	\$960.00	
177	D	NORTHEAST FIRE & RESCUE, INC	HARRIS	\$1,200.00	
178	Α	NORTHWEST V F D	HARRIS	\$1,824.00	
179	Α	NUECES CANYON V F D	REAL	\$1,200.00	
180	Α	OAK RIDGE VFD	COOKE	\$1,344.00	
181	N	ORANGE CO ESD #1 (VIDOR)	ORANGE	\$2,352.00	
182	N	ORE CITY V F D	UPSHUR	\$864.00	
183	N	OSAGE V F D	RANDALL	\$2,720.00	
184	N	OTTINE V F D	GONZALES	\$480.00	
185	Α	OVERTON V F D	RUSK	\$1,056.00	
186	Α	OVILLA V F D	ELLIS	\$1,440.00	
187	D	PATTISON AREA V F D	WALLER	\$1,360.00	
188	D	PAYNE SPRINGS V F D	HENDERSON	\$2,560.00	
189	N	PECAN PLANTATION V F D	HOOD	\$2,112.00	
190	D	PEDERNALES EMERGENCY SERVICES	TRAVIS	\$2,720.00	
191	Α	PEORIA V F D	HILL	\$960.00	
192	D	PIPE CREEK V F D	BANDERA	\$1,219.00	
193	D	PLEAK VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS ASSN.	FORT BEND	\$1,440.00	
194	Α	PLEASANT GROVE V F D	BOWIE	\$864.00	
195	Α	PONDEROSA VOL FIRE ASSOC, INC.	HARRIS	\$3,696.00	
196	N	PORTER VFD	MONTGOMERY	\$2,208.00	
197	D	PORTLAND V F D	SAN PATRICIO	\$1,728.00	
198	Α	POWELL TOWN V F D	SAN AUGUSTINE	\$336.00	
199	N	RANDOLPH V F D	FANNIN	\$624.00	
200	Α	RAVENNA V F D	FANNIN	\$1,152.00	
201	Α	RED SPRINGS V F D	SMITH	\$624.00	
202	Α	REDWATER V F D	BOWIE	\$864.00	
203	D	REFUGIO V F D	REFUGIO	\$2,400.00	
204	D	RICHWOOD VFD	BRAZORIA	\$327.00	
205		RIO VISTA V F D	JOHNSON	\$1,008.00	
206	N	RIVERCREST REDLAND V F D	ANGELINA	\$528.00	
207	N	ROCHELLE V F D	MCCULLOCH	\$384.00	
208		ROCKPORT V F D	ARANSAS	\$1,968.00	
209		ROCKWALL V F D	ROCKWALL	\$2,064.00	
210	0000	ROSS VFD	MCLENNAN	\$528.00	
211	- Table 1	RUSK CO RURAL FIRE PREVENTION DIST #1	RUSK	\$4,320.00	
212	_	SABINE VFD	GREGG	\$1,600.00	

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#	Stat	VFD	County	Maximum Grant Amount	
213	N	SAM BASS V F D	WILLIAMSON	\$1,920.00	
214	Α	SAN LEON V F D	GALVESTON	\$1,200.00	
215	D	SANDY OAKS V F D	BEXAR	\$2,400.00	
216	D	SANTA FE FIRE & RESCUE	GALVESTON	\$6,880.00	
217	D	SAVOY V F D	FANNIN	\$960.00	
218	Α	SCENIC LOOP V F D	POLK	\$1,104.00	
219	Α	SCURRY V F D	KAUFMAN	\$1,440.00	
220	Α	SEAGOVILLE V F D	DALLAS	\$1,344.00	
221	A	SEALY VFD	AUSTIN	\$1,440.00	
222	N	SHELBYVILLE V F D	SHELBY	\$1,200.00	
223	D	SHERWOOD SHORES V F D	GRAYSON	\$1,600.00	
224	Α	SIERRA BLANCA V F D	HUDSPETH	\$560.00	
225	N	SILVERTON V F D	BRISCOE	\$960.00	
226	Α	SKELLYTOWN AREA VOL FF- EMS ASSOC, INC.	CARSON	\$960.00	
227	N	SMITHVILLE V F D	BASTROP	\$2,400.00	
228	Α	SOMERVILLE V F D	BURLESON	\$1,392.00	
229	N	SOUTH BEXAR VOL. FIRE & RESCUE	BEXAR	\$1,600.00	
230	Α	SOUTH HAYS F D INC	HAYS	\$2,160.00	
231	D	SOUTH NACOGDOCHES CO V F D	NACOGDOCHES	\$456.00	
232	D	SOUTH POLK CO. V F D	POLK	\$1,200.00	
233	N	SOUTH VAN ZANDT VFD	VAN ZANDT	\$1,920.00	
234	N	SOUTHEAST V F D	HARRIS	\$2,880.00	
235	D	SOUTHWEST RAINS VFD	RAINS	\$1,440.00	
236	N	SPRING VFD	HARRIS	\$5,904.00	
237	D	SPRING BRANCH V F D	COMAL	\$2,960.00	
238	Α	SPURGER V F D	TYLER	\$912.00	
239	N	STEELE CREEK ACRES V F D	BOSQUE	\$480.00	
240		SUNRISE BEACH V F D	LLANO	\$622.00	
241		SURFSIDE BEACH V F D	BRAZORIA		
242		SWIFT SHADY GROVE V F D	NACOGDOCHES	\$800.00 \$816.00	
243	.000	TELEPHONE V F D	FANNIN		
244	3700	TELFERNER V F D	VICTORIA	\$1,022.00	
245	D	TOWN OF LITTLE ELM F D	DENTON	\$800.00	
246		TRENTON V F D	FANNIN	\$2,882.00	
247	Α	TROUP V F D	SMITH	\$1,600.00	
248		TURNERSVILLE V F D	CORYELL	\$1,440.00	
249	15.61	TYE V F D	TAYLOR	\$800.00	
250	Α	UNCERTAIN V F D	HARRISON	\$768.00	
251		UNION GROVE V F D	UPSHUR	\$528.00	
252		VILLAGE OF LAKE TANGLEWOOD V F D	POTTER	\$560.00	
253	DX 12	WALL VFD	TOM GREEN	\$1,152.00	
254		WALLISVILLE V F D		\$1,200.00	
255		WALNUT SPRINGS V F D	CHAMBERS	\$480.00	
256		WELLINGTON V F D	BOSQUE	\$720.00	
257	270	WEST MOUNTAIN V F D	COLLINGSWORTH	\$1,200.00	
258	20-1	WEST TAWAKONI V F D	UPSHUR	\$336.00	
259		WESTSIDE V F D	HUNT	\$1,792.00	
260	_	WHEELER VFD	HENDERSON	\$2,775.00	
261		WHITE BLUFF ON LAKE WHITNEY VFD	WHEELER	\$646.00	
262	Issues Visite	WALKER OF THE STATE OF THE STAT	HILL	\$768.00	
263	2.00	WHITEHOUSE V F D	SMITH	\$1,440.00	
264		VINONA V F D	SMITH	\$1,440.00	
		WOODBURY VFD, INC	HILL	\$736.40	
265	A V	VOODLAWN V F D	HARRISON	\$1,056.00	

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266	N	WOODROW V F D	LUBBOCK	\$2,320.00
267	D	YOAKUM V F D	LAVACA	\$1,986.00
		TOTAL		\$425,351.30