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Fred Volunteer Fire Department receives grant to upgrade small brush truck

FRED, Texas — Fred Volunteer Fire Department received an \$18,000 grant from the Rural Volunteer Assistance Program to purchase a skid unit for a small brush truck.

The skid unit was placed on the back of a small brush truck the department already owned. With the new addition the department has a reliable small brush truck unit that it can use to prevent the need for assistance from other departments.

The unit will be used on wildland fires as it allows fire crews to get to areas that are otherwise hard to access.

Fred VFD is looking for determined members that are willing to learn and that are passionate about helping the community. Interested parties can call (409) 377-1279 for more information.

As a member agency of the Texas A&M University System, Texas A&M Forest Service administers the Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Program and is committed to protecting lives, property and natural resources. The Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Program is funded by the Texas Legislature and provides cost-share funding to rural volunteer fire departments for the acquisition of firefighting vehicles, fire and rescue equipment, protective clothing, dry hydrants, computer systems and firefighter training.

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