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Moody Volunteer Fire Department increases capabilities with dual purpose truck

MOODY, Texas — Moody Volunteer Fire Department accepted a \$200,000 cost share grant through the Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Program administered by Texas A&M Forest Service. The grant was used to help purchase a 2019 brush truck.

“With a growing wildland interface, it was important to our community for us to have a truck that can be used to fight wildland fires, house fires and also serve as a rescue truck,” said Moody VFD Fire Chief Mike Alton.

This new truck has greater safety benefits for the firefighters and according to Alton, is replacing a truck that was having mechanical problems.

Vehicle features include an 800-gallon water tank, foam capability, back-up camera, scene lighting and front bumper monitor and sprayers. The truck is also equipped with battery powered extrication rescue tools.

Moody Volunteer Fire Department has open enrollment for anyone wishing to give back to the community and may inquire by calling Moody City Hall at (254) 853-2314.

Texas A&M Forest Service is committed to protecting lives and property through the Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Program, a cost share program funded by Texas State Legislature and administered by Texas A&M Forest Service. This program provides 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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