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Grant from Texas A&M Forest Service gives Tulia VFD new rescue equipment

TULIA, Texas - With the help of a \$15,000 grant from Texas A&M Forest Service, Tulia Volunteer Fire Department was able to upgrade its rescue equipment.

“We had been operating with an older set of rescue tools for a while, so we needed to upgrade them,” Fire Chief Johnny Daniels said. “We’ve used this grant program several times – it is the best grant program as far as I am concerned.”

The upgraded equipment comes with many new capabilities to better serve the district when responding to accidents.

“Our new cutters can handle a lot larger of a load than our old cutters could,” Daniels said. “We also got a new set of rescue jacks that we haven’t had before that will help stabilize the vehicle if it is on its side or upside down to protect the victim from injuring themselves further.”

TFS passes approximately \$12.8 million along to volunteer fire departments across the state every year, helping them purchase equipment to better protect lives and property.

“This new set of rescue equipment will provide necessary tools to help the fire department when servicing car accidents,” Regional Fire Coordinator Richard Eubank said. “It is a much needed upgrade because they are near an interstate that sees a lot of accidents. They were in big need of this equipment.”

To learn more about this program visit texasfd.com.