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New brush truck brings new capabilities to Leon Springs VFD

SAN ANTONIO, Texas - With the help of a \$100,000 grant from Texas A&M Forest Service, Leon Springs Volunteer Fire Department was able to purchase a new brush truck.

"With this grant we were able to replace an older model truck we were having problems with," Fire Chief Bob Hardenstine said. "Our older trucks weren't reliable, and we needed to upgrade our brush trucks to serve our community better."

The new truck comes equipped with a compressed air foam (CAF) system that the department previously did not have access to.

"The CAF system will help with quick attacks and with structure fires by making our water supply go further," Hardenstine said. "The new truck can also be used as a rescue response truck if we need it to."

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.

"The cost-share program is well worth it and really helped us out in getting this much needed equipment," Hardenstine said. "It is a great program to help departments like ours."

To learn more about this program visit texasfd.com.