

**APPLICATION FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT ASSISTANCE**  
**RURAL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - FEDERAL FUNDS (VFA)**  
**VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT RESOURCES ASSISTANCE GRANT**

*Name of Fire Department*

*FireConnect ID*

*County*

Number in department profile URL

(<https://fireconnect.tfs.tamu.edu/FireDepartments/XXX>)

**I certify that my department's information is up to date in [FireConnect](#).** This includes having an **active IRS W-9 Form** on FireConnect.

**(Required)** Guide Videos: [Department Profile](#) , [W-9 Forms](#)

This grant reimburses **100%** of the actual cost, not to exceed **\$3,000**. Provided by Volunteer Fire Assistance (Federal) Funds on a first-come, first-served basis.

Applicants must meet all of the following federal requirements to be eligible for VFA Funds:

1. Department must serve a rural area or rural community with a population of 10,000 or less
2. Certified by Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) as having adopted NIMS
3. Department must not be debarred, suspended, or declared ineligible by any federal department or agency
4. 80% or more of department personnel must be volunteers

<u>Allowed</u>			<u>Not Allowed</u>		
Banners	Booth Signage	Postcards/Mailouts	Postage	Apparel	Giveaways
Billboards	Flyers/Door Hangers	Signage	Lease/Rental	Media Advertisements	Envelopes

*Not a conclusive list; Contact us with questions about other types of recruitment resources.*

**Resources must convey a call to action for the purpose of recruiting volunteers. Items branded with only the department name will not be approved.**

**(Required)** **APPLICANT CERTIFICATION:** I certify that the information contained in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and that I am duly authorized to certify this application on behalf of the fire department. I understand that knowingly making false or fraudulent statements or representations may result in program sanctions and/or criminal penalties.

Name: (print)

Title:

*Chief Officer or President*

Date:

Submit this form to [2604@tfs.tamu.edu](mailto:2604@tfs.tamu.edu)

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