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Orange County ESD #1 increases rescue capabilities

VIDOR, Texas – Orange County Emergency Services District #1 recently received extrication tools funded through a grant from Texas A&M Forest Service’s Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Program.

These tools, known as the Jaws of Life, will be used to extricate people trapped in vehicle crashes. The tools are battery powered, making them easier for fire crews to manage without worrying about refueling or access issues.

The tools have been proven effective.

“We recently used the tools on the scene of a motor vehicle accident,” said Cordale Baldwin, firefighter and EMT. “Without the Hurst Company showing us these tools, we would not have been able to do this.”

Orange Co ESD #1 is looking for new volunteers. For more information, call (409) 769-8294.

Texas A&M Forest Service is committed to protecting lives and property through its fire department assistance programs. For more information on programs offered by Texas A&M Forest Service, visit texasfd.com.

