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2025 Volunteer Fire Assistance Grants Announced

55 Volunteer Fire Departments in 18 Counties to Receive \$167,314 in Grant Funding

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources Forest Service announced the 2025 Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) grants to 55 volunteer fire departments across the state. The projects are to be funded in 18 Maryland counties to assist volunteer fire companies to enhance wildland fire protection in rural communities.

This year 57 Volunteer Fire Departments from 18 counties applied for funding assistance with \$381,586 in projects. The Maryland Forest Service awarded grant funds to 55 fire departments for \$167,314 in match funding to complete \$370,376 in total project cost. The maximum grant awarded was \$3,500 per department. The Federal Grant funds are provided by the USDA Forest Service.

2025 list of grant awards:

2025 VFA Grants			
VFD Name	County	Grant Amount	50% Match
Accident Volunteer Fire Department	Garrett County	\$6,235.00	\$3,118.00
Barton Hose Company No 1	Allegany County	\$7,913.00	\$3,500
Berwyn Heights Vol. Fire Dept. & Rescue Squad Inc. Co. 14	Prince George's County	\$2,429.00	\$1,215
Bittinger Volunteer Fire Department Inc	Garrett County	\$7,000.00	\$3,500.00
Borden Shaft Volunteer Fire Company No1	Allegany County	\$7,052.00	\$3,500.00
Bowman's Addition Volunteer Fire Company INC	Allegany County	\$3,660.00	\$1,830.00
Bryans Road Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad, Inc.	Charles County	\$1,500.00	\$750
Church Creek Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.	Dorchester County	\$5,523.00	\$2,762.00
Clear Spring Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.	Washington County	\$6,881.00	\$3,441.00
Cobb Island Volunteer Fire Department	Charles County	\$8,055.00	\$3,500.00
Cresaptown Volunteer Fire Department, Inc	Allegany County	\$5,700.00	\$2,850.00
Deep Creek Volunteer Fire Company	Garrett County	\$6,976.00	\$3,488.00
East New Market Volunteer Fire Department	Dorchester County	\$7,554.00	\$3,500
Eldorado-Brookview V.F.C.	Dorchester County	\$5,640.00	\$2,820.00

Fairmount Volunteer Fire Co. Inc.	Somerset County	\$4,495.00	\$2,248.00
First Hose Company of Boonsboro	Washington County	\$7,000.00	\$3,500.00
Frostburg Fire No1 ,Inc	Allegany County	\$6,900.00	\$3,450.00
Funkstown Volunteer Fire Company Inc.	Washington County	\$5,731.00	\$2,866.00
GALENA VOLUNTEER FIRE CO.,INC	Kent County	\$6,800.00	\$3,400.00
Grasonville Volunteer Fire Department	Queen Anne's County	\$12, 000.00	\$3,500.00
Greensboro Volunteer Fire Company	Caroline County	\$3,375	\$1,688.00
Hacks Point Fire Company	Cecil County	\$5,900.00	\$2,950.00
Hampstead Volunteer Fire Company	Carroll County	\$9,000.00	\$3,500.00
Hancock Fire Company, Inc.	Washington County	\$10,000.00	\$3,500.00
Hebron Volunteer Fire Department Inc	Wicomico County	\$3,500.00	\$1,750.00
Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	St. Mary's County	\$7,345.00	\$3,500.00
Hughesville Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad Inc.	Charles County	\$1,140.00	\$570.00
Hurlock Volunteer Fire Company	Dorchester County	\$7,353.00	\$3,500.00
Kingsville Volunteer Fire Company	Baltimore County	\$5,300.00	\$2,650.00
Kitzmiller Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	Garrett County	\$7,000.00	\$3,500.00
La Plata Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	Charles County	\$7,650.00	\$3,500.00
LaVale Volunteer Fire Department, Inc	Allegany County	\$6,500.00	\$3,250.00
Leitersburg Volunteer Fire Co, Inc.	Washington County	\$5,678.00	\$2,839.00
Linkwood - Salem VFC	Dorchester County	\$7,250.00	\$3,500.00
Longmeadow Volunteer Fire Company INC	Washington County	\$6,855.00	\$3,428.00
Manchester Volunteer Fire Engine and Hook and Ladder Company #1	Carroll County	\$7,788.00	\$3,500.00
Mount Savage Volunteer Fire Department	Allegany County	\$7,000.00	\$3,500.00
Mt Aetna Volunteer Fire Department	Washington County	\$7,276.00	\$3,500.00
North Beach Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	Calvert County	\$3,040.00	\$1,520.00
Oakland Volunteer Fire Department	Garrett County	\$3,318.00	\$1,659.00
Parsonsburg Volunteer Fire Company	Wicomico County	\$7,373.00	\$3,500.00
Pittsville Volunteer Fire Department Inc	Wicomico County	\$5,862.00	\$2,931.00
Potomac Valley Fire Company Incorporated	Washington County	\$7,000.00	\$3,500.00
Powellville Volunteer Fire Company	Wicomico County	\$6,960.76	\$3,480.38
Preston Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.	Caroline County	\$7,408.00	\$3,500.00
Rawlings Volunteer Fire Department	Allegany County	\$7,000.00	\$3,500.00
Ridgely Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	Caroline County	\$8,063.00	\$3,500.00

Secretary Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.	Dorchester County	\$6,961.00	\$3,481.00
Sharpsburg Volunteer Fire Company Inc.	Washington County	\$7,240.00	\$3,500.00
Sudlersville Volunteer Fire Company	Queen Anne's County	\$10,547.00	\$3,500.00
Tenth District Volunteer Fire Department	Charles County	\$34,403.00	\$3,500.00
The Community Fire Company of Perryville, Maryland, Inc.	Cecil County	\$8,105.00	\$3,500.00
VIENNA VOLUNTEER FIRE CO., INC.	Dorchester County	\$7,002.00	\$3,500.00
West Friendship Volunteer Fire Department	Howard County	\$5,802.00	\$2,901.00
Williamsport Volunteer Fire and EMS	Washington County	\$6,927.00	\$3,464.00
Totals		\$370,376	\$167,313