

# **DeSoto Rural**Fire Protection District

## **MISSION STATEMENT:**

#### "OUR FAMILY GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND FOR YOURS"

The simplest way of saying we do whatever we can to fix someone's problems when they call us for help. This means we provide medical care, extinguish fires, extricate victims from vehicles, rescue animals, install detectors, mitigate hazardous conditions, provide exceptional bedside manner, and perform any other task required to get the Job done. We commit to GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND to PREPARE ourselves to do this with an intelligent and sensible level of aggression based on knowledge, best practices, procedures, experience, and a risk management approach to hazards. We prepare physically, mentally, procedurally & mechanically to manage the risks that we chose to share with the citizens when we joined the DeSoto Rural Fire Protection District. Hard work, commitment to learning the craft and honing skills through training, coordination, discipline, maintaining personal equipment and District apparatus mechanical readiness, and commitment to managing risk instead of avoiding it is the cornerstone of success with the DeSoto Rural Fire Protection District.

### **VALUES:**

#### "FAMILY - PRIDE - INTEGRITY - KNOWLEDGE - PROFESSIONALISM"

THESE ARE THE 5 VALUES THAT WE LIVE BY AT DESOTO RURAL. EACH ONE OF THEM REPRESENTS WHAT IS IMPORTANT TO US AND HOW WE SHOULD CONDUCT OURSELVES BOTH IN PUBLIC AND BEHIND CLOSED DOORS. THESE VALUES GUIDE HOW WE INTERACT WITH AND PROVIDE OUR SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC.

## **VISION STATEMENT:**

#### "SOAR: SERVICE - ORGANIZATION - AND - RESPONSIBILITY"

This is the priority to which we carry out our Mission and Values. **SERVICE** that we provide to the community. **ORGANIZATION** represents the health and safety of our members and the District itself. **RESPONSIBILITY** represents our commitment to upholding our end of the deal with the public to be fiscally responsible, to provide timely and exceptional service in their time of need, and to prepare daily for what we "Might" have to do to provide that service.