Safe Environment Updates to Volunteer Background Checks

We have been informed that starting March 1st, in order to get accurate Search America results we will need to verify any hits that are seen per county on the Search America results.

On a practical level what does that mean for us?

Search America is used exclusively to verify criminal activity on our volunteer background checks. Our employee background checks, which are more in-depth, already pull criminal activity and verify it, based on each county a person has lived. So, only for volunteer background checks that show a hit on the county level, we may need to run/add an additional County Check to verify the criminal activity.

1) Additional County criminal checks run $12/county. An additional credit check may be needed, but ONLY for those with a hit on the county level and ONLY for those that live in counties that can't be verified through the WCCA website. (typically volunteers that have lived outside of Wisconsin within the last 7-10 years) If you have a volunteer who needs an additional county criminal check you will be contacted by email prior to the check being run.

2) Additional time may be needed to process/research any offenses seen by an individual. Please allow yourselves greater time for volunteer background checks on the
off-chance that additional research and/or an additional county checks might need to be added in Fastrax.

Fortunately, this should not effect most of your volunteers and it won't impact any employee background checks.

If you have any questions, please let me know.
Praying you have a fruitful Lent,
Anna