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New service available for local church background checks

The Arkansas Conference has entered into a contract with Trak-1 Technology to help local churches complete the required Safe Sanctuary background checks for staff and volunteers.

Trak-1 Technology is a premier provider of nationwide employment screening, resident screening and volunteer screening data and related background software since 1996. Trak-1 Technology currently provides screening solutions for more than 20 United Methodist Church Conferences throughout the country and offers an easy and affordable option to thoroughly evaluate the people on whom you depend.

While local churches may continue to use any background check service they choose, the Conference recommends Trak-1 based on price and overall quality of service.

How does Trak-1 work?
Each individual church may set up their account and elect to have volunteers/staff members register online for the background check themselves. Or the church may serve as the administrator of that process, entering information for each individual needing a background check.

The Arkansas Conference is absorbing the set-up, monthly maintenance, and invoice fees. The only expense to churches is the cost of the background check. Churches may elect to pay that fee themselves or have each volunteer/staff member pay for their own.

The names of all individuals checked by the Conference or any local church that has chosen to use Trak-1 will be kept in one database by Trak-1, so if a background check has already been done and is recent enough, a new check will not have to be done, eliminating duplication of background checks and associated fees.

How to Register for Trak-1:

1. The link to register with Trak-1 is: https://www.new.trak-1.com/automatedsetup/autosignup.aspx?ID=22c8e25a-ac35-4f7e-8032-b7d858b040d1
2. Enter our Conference password when prompted: arkconf123.
3. When your church account has been set, you will create a different password for your church account.
4. When your church account has been set, a Trak-1 representative will contact you to complete the registration process and explain the screening process.

If you have questions about Trak-1 or need assistance registering your church, please feel free to contact our Trak-1 representative, Kyle Hendricks at kyle.hendricks@trak-1.com or 981-779-7000, x 3406.