



ARIZONA
DEPARTMENT
of CHILD SAFETY

Mike Faust, Director
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Preliminary Report	Fatality	10/6/2020
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- 1. Victim:** Jewel Shapiro – 5 year old female
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 02/11/2020
- 3. Date of fatality:** 02/13/20
- 4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 06/25/2020
- 5. County and general location of the residence of the victim:** Yavapai County, Az
- 6. Alleged perpetrator(s) name, age and city, town or general location:**

Jill Knox – age 46 – Yavapai County, Az

7. Circumstances of the fatality that indicate it was the result of abuse or neglect:

On February 11, 2020 the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding 5-year-old Jewel Shapiro who sustained serious injuries in a car accident. The child died three days later as a result of the injuries from the accident. The child's mother, Jill Knox, was driving the vehicle when she lost control resulting in the single-car accident. The law enforcement investigation determined that Ms. Knox was driving under the influence of alcohol and/or illegal drugs at the time. She has since been charged with manslaughter.

8. Whether DCS has received any reports or past cases, of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child or the current alleged perpetrator(s):**

DCS received the following prior report involving Jewel Shapiro and Jill Knox:

On November 8, 2018, a report was received alleging neglect to Jewel and her siblings by the mother, Jill Knox. The family was provided with information on services available in the community. The allegations as to Jill Knox were unsubstantiated and the case was closed.

9. Actions taken by DCS in response to the fatality:

A joint investigation was conducted with Yavapai County Sherriff’s Office.

10. Actions taken regarding the child and/or other children in the home:

Following an assessment of child safety, the other children in the home were assessed as being safe with the other parent.

11. Whether the agency is or intends to provide direct services or service referrals to the family:

The Department provided the family with information on services available in the community.



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*The determination that a fatality or near fatality is the result of abuse, abandonment or neglect is based one or more of the following criteria: (1) The perpetrator(s) arrest related to the incident, (2) Substantiated finding(s) linking the alleged perpetrator(s) action(s) to the fatality or near fatality and/or (3) Results of the Medical Examiner's report.

** Information released after July 3, 2015 provides reports, or any current or past cases, of abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child or the alleged perpetrator pursuant to A.R.S. § 8-807.01(A)(1)(e).
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