



ARIZONA
DEPARTMENT
of CHILD SAFETY

Mike Faust, Director
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Preliminary Report	Fatality	03/26/2020
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- 1. Victim:** Charlotte Jones – 3 year old female
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 09/03/2019
- 3. Date of fatality:** 09/03/2019
- 4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 03/18/2020
- 5. County and general location of the residence of the victim:** Maricopa County – Phoenix, AZ
- 6. Alleged perpetrator(s) name, age and city, town or general location:**

Scott Jones – age 37 – Gilbert, AZ

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

On September 3, 2019, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding Charlotte Jones (3) who had been found unresponsive after being left in her father's, Scott Jones, vehicle for about 3 hours. The child was transported to the hospital, where she was pronounced deceased. The Department substantiated the allegations of neglect against her father, Scott Jones.

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):**

The Department has received no prior reports involving Scott Jones.

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

A joint investigation was conducted with the Gilbert Police Department.

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

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

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

No services were provided by the Department.

*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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