



Preliminary Report	Fatality	01/03/18
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1. Victim: Ezekiel Resendiz

2. Date of notification to DCS: 12/19/17

3. Date of fatality: 12/21/17

4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*: 12/28/17

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:

Robert Resendiz-age 30-Phoenix

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

On December 19, 2017, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding 6 month old Ezekiel Resendiz, who found unresponsive at home by his father. At the hospital it was determined the child was in critical condition with multiple injuries. Ezekiel did not survive his injuries. The father, Robert Resendiz, was arrested for child abuse and later charged with 1st degree murder.

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 has received no prior reports involving Robert Resendiz as a perpetrator.

DCS received the following prior report involving Ezekiel Resendiz:

On October 13, 2017, the Department of Child Safety received a report alleging neglect to the child by the mother. The investigation assessed the child as safe with the mother and the allegation was unsubstantiated. The mother was provided information on services in the community.

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

A joint investigation is being conducted with the Phoenix Police Department.

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

There were no other children in the home.

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.

*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.



Arizona Department of Child Safety

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** 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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