



<b>Preliminary Report</b>	<b>Fatality</b>	<b>08/06/2021</b>
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- 1. Victim:** Siren Flowers – 4-month-old female
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 05/05/20
- 3. Date of fatality:** 05/05/20
- 4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect\*:** 02/11/21
- 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:**

Lisa Flowers – age 32 – Phoenix, AZ  
James Flowers – age 47 – Phoenix, AZ

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

On May 5, 2020, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding four-month-old Siren Flowers, who was found unresponsive at home. A toxicology report indicated the child was positive for methamphetamine. The other children in the home were taken into custody and a dependency petition was filed on May 8, 2020 with the Maricopa County Superior Court alleging neglect by their parents Lisa and James Flowers. On July 7, 2020, the Department filed a motion for termination of parental rights. The motion was granted on February 11, 2021. The allegations of neglect regarding Siren by her parents were substantiated.

**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 reports involving Siren Flower’s parents, Lisa and James Flowers:

On June 20, 2016, a report was received alleging neglect and physical abuse to children by Lisa and James Flowers. Following an assessment of child safety, the children were taken into custody and placed in a licensed foster home. A dependency petition was filed on June 29, 2016 with the Maricopa County Superior Court. The parents were offered services. The allegations of neglect were substantiated while the physical abuse allegations were unsubstantiated. The dependency matter was ongoing when the next report was received.

On August 28, 2017, a report was received alleging neglect to a child by Lisa and James Flowers. Following an assessment of child safety, the child was taken into custody and placed in a licensed foster home. A subsequent dependency petition was filed on September 1, 2017 with the Maricopa County Superior Court. The allegations were substantiated as to both parents. The family was being provided with services. The children were reunified with the mother on March 9, 2018 and the dependency was dismissed on September 24, 2018.

On February 20, 2019, a report was received alleging neglect to children by Lisa Flowers. As a result of the investigation, the children were assessed as safe. The family was provided with daycare services. The allegations were unsubstantiated and the case was closed on May 3, 2019.



On May 8, 2019, a report was received alleging neglect to children by Lisa Flowers. As a result of the investigation, the children were assessed as safe. The family was provided with daycare services and community resources. The allegations were unsubstantiated and the case was closed on July 18, 2019.

On January 22, 2020, a report was received alleging neglect to children by Lisa and James Flowers. As a result of the investigation, the children were assessed as safe.. There were no services offered to the family. The allegations were unsubstantiated and the case was closed on April 13, 2020.

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

A joint investigation was conducted with the Phoenix Police Department.

**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 placed in foster care.

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

The Department provided services to the family.

\*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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