



ARIZONA
DEPARTMENT
of **CHILD SAFETY**

Michael Wisehart, Interim Director
Katie Hobbs, Governor

Preliminary Report	Fatality	04/03/2023
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- 1. Victim:** Kayden Lewis – 2-year-old male
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 1/12/22
- 3. Date of fatality:** 1/12/22
- 4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 4/12/22
- 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:**

Amanda Bailey – age 24 – Phoenix, AZ

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

On January 12, 2022, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding 2-year-old Kayden Lewis who had been shot in his home. The child was transported to the hospital, where he was pronounced deceased. On January 18, 2022, the Department of Child Safety filed a dependency petition with the Maricopa Superior Court for Kayden's siblings. The Court found the mother, Amanda Bailey, failed "to provide a safe and stable home environment and proper supervision" on April 12, 2022.

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 Kayden Lewis and/or Amanda Bailey, the mother:

On September 4, 2014, a report was received alleging neglect to a sibling by the mother, Amanda Bailey. This report was still open when the next report was received.

On March 9, 2015, a report was received alleging neglect to another child by the mother, Amanda Bailey. The family was offered services through the Department; however, they declined to participate. They were provided with information on services available in the community and the case was closed. All the allegations for the two open reports were unsubstantiated.

On September 9, 2018, a report was received alleging neglect to a sibling by the mother, Amanda Bailey. The allegation was unsubstantiated. The family was provided with information on services available in the community and the case was closed.

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On February 1, 2021, a report was received alleging neglect and physical abuse to Kayden and another child by the father, and the mother, Amanda Bailey. After several attempts were made, the Department was unable to locate the family and the case was closed.

On August 14, 2021, a report was received alleging neglect to another child by the mother, Amanda Bailey. The allegation was unsubstantiated and the case was closed.

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 with relatives.

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

The Department is providing 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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