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Preliminary Report	Fatality	05/16/2023

1. Victim: Nevaeh Turner – 1-year-old female

**2.** Date of notification to DCS: 10/18/22

**3. Date of fatality:** 10/18/22

4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect\*: 5/1/23

**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:

Keilan Marshall - age 24 - Phoenix, AZ

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

On October 18, 2022, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding the death of 1-year-old Nevaeh Turner. The child drowned while she was in the care of Keilan Marshall when he left her a bathtub without adult supervision. On May 1, 2023, the Maricopa County Superior Court found Mr. Marshall neglected the child.

# 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 Nevaeh Turner and/or Keilan Marshall:

On June 22, 2020, a report was received alleging physical abuse to three children by Mr. Marshall. The allegations were unsubstantiated and the children were assessed as safe with their parents.

On February 9, 2021, the Department received a report alleging neglect to Nevaeh by her mother. The allegation was unsubstantiated and the case was closed.

On April 26, 2022, the Department received a report alleging physical abuse to Nevaeh and two siblings by Mr. Marshall. The allegations were 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.

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

Following an assessment of child safety, one of the children in the home was assessed as safe with their father. A dependency petition was filed for two children that remained in their mother's care with a safety plan in place. After the safety plan was violated, the two children were removed and placed in foster care.

## 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.

<sup>\*</sup>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.

<sup>\*\*</sup> 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). Posted information may be updated as new information becomes available.