

<b>Preliminary Report</b>	<b>Fatality</b>	<b>03/26/2024</b>
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- 1. Victim:** Kayson Keeton - one-year-old male
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 01/08/2022
- 3. Date of fatality:** 01/09/2022
- 4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect\*:** 6/02/2022
- 5. County and general location of the residence of the victim:** Mohave County – Fort Mohave, AZ

**6. Alleged perpetrator(s) name, age and city, town or general location:**

Angelina Hayden – age 24 – Fort Mohave, AZ

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

On January 8, 2022, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding one-year-old Kayson Keeton who had been found unresponsive at home while in the care of his mother, Angelina Hayden, and her significant other. He was transported to the hospital and on January 9, 2022, Kayson passed away due to non-accidental head trauma. The Department filed a dependency petition with the Mohave County Superior Court for Kayson’s sibling; this dependency was transferred to the Superior Court of California, County of Riverside. On June 2, 2022, the Riverside County Superior Court determined that while under the care and custody of his mother, Angelina Hayden, Kayson Keeton sustained severe inflicted injuries which ultimately led to his death.

**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)\*\*:**

There were no prior DCS reports involving Angelina Hayden and/or Kayson Keeton

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

A joint investigation was conducted with the Mohave County Sherriff’s Office.

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

Following an assessment of child safety, a sibling was removed and placed with relatives.

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

The Department provided services to the family, including services to support the other child involved, until the case was transferred to another jurisdiction.

\*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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