

Preliminary Report	Near Fatality	06/11/2024
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- 1. Near Fatality Victim:** 8-month-old male
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 9/16/2023
- 3. Date of near fatality:** 9/16/2023
- 4. Date of determination that the near fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:**
6/5/2024
- 5. County and general location of the residence of the victim:** Pima County – Tucson, AZ
- 6. Alleged perpetrator(s) name, age and city, town or general location:**

Jasmin Zazueta – age 20 – Tucson, AZ

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

On September 16, 2023, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding an 8-month-old child who was brought to the hospital with concerns of crossing the eyes and being inconsolable. Upon examination, the child was determined to be in serious condition, experiencing a low heart rate and seizure activity, requiring intubation. On September 20, 2023, the Department filed a dependency petition with the Pima County Superior Court alleging abuse and/or neglect to the near-fatality victim. On October 18, 2023, the court found the mother, Jasmin Zazueta, neglected the child by leaving him in the care of an inappropriate caregiver and that her inability to provide appropriate supervision caused substantial harm to 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):**

The child’s mother, Jasmin Zazueta, and father were involved in the following prior reports:

On January 13, 2022, a report was received alleging neglect to a child by the mother, Jasmin Zazueta, and the father. The allegations of neglect were substantiated as to both parents.

An additional report was received on April 2, 2022, alleging neglect to a child by the mother, Jasmin Zazueta, and other adults. The allegations of neglect were unsubstantiated to the mother, Jasmin Zazueta, and other adults. The family was provided with information on services available in the community and the case was closed.

On December 21, 2022, a report was received alleging neglect to the near-fatality victim by the mother, Jasmin Zazueta. The allegation of neglect was unsubstantiated. No services were offered to the family and the case was closed.

On September 12, 2023, a report was received alleging neglect to the near-fatality victim by the mother, Jasmin Zazueta. An investigation was initiated and still in progress when the near fatality incident occurred.

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

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

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

Upon release from the hospital, the child was placed in a licensed DDD foster 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 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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