



Preliminary Report	Near Fatality	11/05/20
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- 1. Near Fatality Victim:** 13-year-old male
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 11/16/19
- 3. Date of near fatality:** 11/16/19
- 4. Date of determination that the near fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 3/11/20
- 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:**

Tonya Monroe – age 41 – Phoenix, AZ

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

On November 16, 2019, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding a 13-year-old male who had been taken to the hospital in critical condition after being shot in the abdomen. On March 11, 2020, the Department substantiated the allegation of physical abuse against the mother, Tonya Monroe.

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 Tonya Monroe and/or the near fatality victim:

On October 18, 2002, a report was received alleging neglect to three children by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The allegations were substantiated and the case was closed after the mother refused to participate in services.

On February 1, 2006, a report was received alleging neglect to multiple children by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The family was unable to be located.

On April 21, 2006, a report was received alleging neglect to one child by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The report was unsubstantiated and in-home services were provided to the family.

On March 5, 2009, a report was received alleging neglect to the near fatality victim and his siblings by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The allegations were unsubstantiated and the case was closed.

On June 26, 2010, a report was received alleging neglect to the near fatality victim and his siblings by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The allegations were unsubstantiated.

On September 9, 2010, a report was received alleging neglect to the near fatality victim and his siblings by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The allegations were unsubstantiated and the mother was provided in-home services.

On June 15, 2011, a report was received alleging neglect to the near fatality victim and his siblings by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The allegations were unsubstantiated.



On July 30, 2011, a report was received alleging neglect to one child by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The allegation was unsubstantiated.

On September 9, 2011, a report was received alleging neglect to the near fatality victim and his siblings by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The allegations were unsubstantiated.

On August 21, 2012, a report was received alleging neglect to the near fatality victim and his siblings by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The allegations were unsubstantiated and the case was closed.

On November 10, 2012, a report was received alleging neglect to the near fatality victim and his siblings by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The allegations were unsubstantiated.

On February 15, 2013, a report was received alleging neglect to two children by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The allegations were unsubstantiated.

On March 6, 2014, a report was received alleging neglect to the near fatality victim and his siblings by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The Department filed an in-home dependency petition with the Maricopa County Superior Court. The allegations were substantiated.

On November 13, 2014, a report was received alleging neglect to the near fatality victim by his father. The Department was unable to locate the parent.

On January 22, 2015, a report was received alleging neglect to the near fatality victim and his siblings by their mother, Tonya Monroe and another adult. The children were already in the Department's legal custody due to the previous in-home dependency. The children were removed from the home and the allegations were substantiated as to the mother.

On March 10, 2015, a report was received alleging neglect and physical abuse to one child by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The report was unsubstantiated after the child denied the allegations.

On February 1, 2016, a report was received alleging neglect to one child by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The child was removed and the Department filed a dependency petition with the Maricopa County Superior Court. The allegations were substantiated.

On March 18, 2017, a report was received alleging neglect to one child by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The report was unsubstantiated.

On November 27, 2017, a report was received alleging neglect to one child by their mother, Tonya Monroe. The report was unsubstantiated as there was not enough evidence to support the allegation.

9. Actions taken by DCS in response to the near 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 child that was in the home was removed and placed in licensed foster care. After release from the hospital, the near fatality victim was placed in licensed 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.

*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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