



<b>Preliminary Report</b>	<b>Fatality</b>	<b>3/10/16</b>
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- 1. Victim:** Naziyah Baxter – 2-year-old male
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 10/19/15
- 3. Date of fatality:** 10/18/15
- 4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect\*:** 1/26/16
- 5. County and general location of the residence of the victim:** Maricopa County – Glendale, AZ
- 6. Alleged perpetrator(s) name, age and city, town or general location:**

Glenn Baxter – age 26 – Phoenix, AZ

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

On October 19, 2015, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding the deaths of Reign, Naziyah, and Zariyah Baxter. The children drowned when the vehicle they were riding in was driven by their father into Tempe Town Lake. The children's mother, as well as their father, also died in the incident. The investigation determined that the children's father, Glenn Baxter, had deliberately driven into the lake resulting in the deaths.

**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 has received the following prior report involving Glenn Baxter and Naziyah Baxter:

On September 25, 2013, a report was received alleging neglect to Naziyah Baxter by his father, Glenn Baxter. The father had fallen asleep while holding Naziyah and the baby nearly suffocated. The investigation determined that Naziyah was safe in the care of the parents. The allegation was unsubstantiated and the family was educated on the dangers of co-sleeping with infants.

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

A joint investigation was conducted with the Tempe Police Department.

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

No services were provided by the Department.

\*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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