



Preliminary Report	Fatality	5/25/16
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- 1. Victim:** Sabrina Bennett – 2 year old– female
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 3/5/16
- 3. Date of fatality:** 3/5/16
- 4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 4/29/16
- 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:**

Stephanie Bennett– age 25 – Tucson, AZ

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

On March 5, 2016, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding Sabrina Bennett when she drowned in the backyard pool of her home. Sabrina was taken to a nearby hospital where she died. The Department filed a dependency petition with the Pima Juvenile Court. It was determined that mother, Stephanie Bennett, neglected Sabrina when she did not provide supervision to her and Sabrina got into the backyard pool and drowned.

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 reports involving Stephanie Bennett:

On April 30, 2012, a report was received alleging neglect to a sibling by Stephanie Bennett and the sibling's father. The allegations were unsubstantiated. The family was provided with information on services available in the community and the case was closed.

On February 11, 2011, a report was received alleging neglect to a sibling by Stephanie Bennett. The allegation was unsubstantiated. The family was provided with information on services available in the community and the case was closed.

9. Actions taken by DCS in response to the 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:

Following an assessment of child safety, the other children in the home were placed with their parents.

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.



Arizona Department of Child Safety

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** 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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