



<b>Preliminary Report</b>	<b>Fatality</b>	<b>11/6/15</b>
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- 1. Victim:** Trent McCluskey – 3-year-old male
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 8/6/15
- 3. Date of fatality:** 8/8/15
- 4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect:** 10/29/15
- 5. County and general location of the residence of the victim:** Mohave County – Kingman, AZ
- 6. Alleged perpetrator(s) name, age and city, town or general location:**

Cory Williams – age 26 – Kingman, AZ  
Tiffany Stotser – age 27 – Kingman, AZ

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

On August 6, 2015, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding Cory Williams calling 911 because he found Trent McCluskey unresponsive. Trent was taken to a nearby hospital where he was unresponsive with agonal breathing. Trent had a CAT scan completed and was found to have a subdural bleed and a basilar skull fracture. In addition, Trent had bruising to the right and left frontal of his forehead, around both eyes and petechial on the front of his neck. Trent was in the care of Cory Williams at the time the injuries occurred. Trent ultimately died from his injuries. Cory Williams has since been arrested on felony charges of manslaughter and child abuse. Trent's mother, Tiffany Stotser, was arrested on a felony charge of child abuse.

**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 five reports involving Tiffany Stotser:

On August 27, 2007, a report was received alleging physical abuse toward Trent's sibling by the mother, Tiffany Stotser. The investigation assessed the children to be safe and the report was unsubstantiated. The mother was participating in services on her own and the case was closed.

On January 2, 2009, a report was received alleging physical abuse to Trent's sibling by the sibling's father and neglect by the mother, Tiffany Stotser. The investigation assessed the children to be safe and the report was unsubstantiated. The family was provided with information on community resources and the case was closed.

On January 22, 2010, a report was received alleging physical abuse and neglect to Trent's sibling by the sibling's father and neglect by the mother, Tiffany Stotser. The investigation assessed the children to be safe and the report was unsubstantiated. The family was provided with information on community resources and the case was closed.

On November 29, 2014, a report was received alleging neglect to Trent's siblings by the mother, Tiffany Stotser. The investigation assessed the children to be safe and the report was unsubstantiated. The case remained open pending the completion of necessary documentation when the near fatality report was received.



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

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

**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 a relative.

**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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