

Information for Release		11/5/2010
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Date of the notification to CPS: 10/30/2010

Fatality

The date the child suffered the fatality: 10/30/2010

Child's name: Juan Daniel Resendiz

Age at time of incident: 2 Years

Perpetrator(s): Walter Munoz, 24, and Bianca Arce, 27

Age: see above

City, town or general location of residence of the child and perpetrator(s): Both child and perpetrators resided in Phoenix at the time of the incident.

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

Juan was taken to the hospital after being found not breathing at home. At the hospital, Juan was pronounced dead and was found to have numerous severe injuries that were reported to be consistent with abuse.

B. Whether CPS has received any reports or past cases of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child and the current alleged abusive or neglectful parent, guardian or custodian* :

CPS had received one prior report on August 9, 2010, alleging neglect of Juan by Bianca and abuse of Juan by another person, who is believed to have been Walter Munoz. At the time this report was received, the mother and children were residing in a shelter. The mother advised CPS that she was willing to protect her children and would work with the shelter staff to receive services to assist herself and her children.

1. Actions taken by CPS in response to the fatality or near fatality of the child including:

CPS is completing a joint investigation with the Phoenix Police Department.

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

Two other children residing in the home have been taken into CPS custody and placed in the care of a relative. A dependency petition will be filed.

3. Whether the agency is or intends to provide direct services or service referrals to the family:

A case has been opened and services will be provided as identified through the dependency action.

*Posted information provides whether there have been reports or any current or past cases of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child who has died or suffered a near fatality and the current alleged abusive or neglectful parent, guardian or custodian pursuant to A.R.S. § 8-807(F)(2)(a)(iv).

meet the criteria of a report because they do not contain allegations of abuse or neglect (or because there is no information provided to locate the child or family) are not posted.