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**Date of the notification to DCS: 8/10/2013**

**Child Fatality**

**Date of fatality or near fatality: 8/10/2013**

**Child's name: Kristina Prunty**

**Age at time of incident: 23 months**

**Alleged perpetrator(s) name and age:**

Kari "Amber" Swaim – age 18

Jagger Hunt – age 19

Sandie Hunt – age 48

Stacy Gledhill – age 26

Brandon Morgan – age 26

**City, town or general location of residence of the child and alleged perpetrator(s):**

Peoria, AZ

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

On August 10, 2013, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding the death of 23-month-old Kristina Prunty. At the time of her death, Kristina was residing in a home with five adults including her mother, Kari "Amber" Swaim; her mother's boyfriend, Jagger Hunt; her maternal aunt, Stacy Gledhill, her aunt's boyfriend, Brandon Morgan; and Sandie Hunt, mother to Jagger Hunter and Brandon Morgan. Ms. Swaim reported that she put Kristina to bed the night of August 9, 2013 at 10:00pm and found her to be cold to the touch when checked on the following morning around 5:30am. The family called 911 and Kristina was transported by ambulance to the hospital where she was found to be dead on arrival.

Upon examination, Kristina was found to have significant injuries which included numerous bruises in varying stages of healing to her face, arms, legs, back, buttocks, pelvic area, stomach and foot; bite marks to her shoulder, knee and left cheek and abrasions on the crown of her head, nose and lip. An autopsy was later performed revealing massive internal injuries which included skull fractures on the right and left sides of her head; a severed liver and a severed pancreas. The injuries were diagnosed as non-accidental trauma and resulted in Kristina's death. An autopsy was performed by the Maricopa Medical Examiner's Office and determined the cause of death as multiple blunt force trauma and the manner of death as homicide.

**Whether DCS 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\*:**

DCS has received no prior report(s) alleging abuse or neglect of Kristina Prunty by Kari "Amber" Swaim, Jagger Hunt, Sandie Hunt, Stacy Gledhill or Brandon Morgan.



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

The Department of Child Safety, in conjunction with the Office of Child Welfare Investigation, conducted a joint investigation with the Peoria Police Department.

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

The other children in the home were removed and placed in foster care.

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

No services were provided.

\*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).

\*Posted information may be updated as new information becomes available.

Information, if any, regarding the child and other family or household members, not specifically related to the fatality or near fatality, is not posted on the website. This also applies to information, if any, regarding the alleged perpetrator(s) and other family or household members.