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Information for Release: This was originally posted on June 28, 2011 and the posting is amended to add Qnique Thues as a perpetrator.

Information for Release	6/28/2011

Date of the notification to CPS: 6/25/2011

Fatality

The date the child suffered the fatality: 6/25/2011

Child's name: Tyshea Austin

Age at time of incident: 3 Years

Perpetrator(s): Martwan Mackey; 18 years

Qnique Thues; 18 years

City, town or general location of residence of the child and perpetrator(s): Both child and perpetrator(s) were residing 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:

On 6/25/11, Phoenix PD responded to a 9-1-1 call made by Martwan Mackey reporting that Tyshea was not breathing. Tyshea was found deceased covered in bruises and adult bite marks.

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 no prior reports alleging abuse or neglect of Tyshea Austin by Martwan Mackey or Qnique Thues.

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

CPS conducted a joint investigation with the Phoenix Police Department.

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

Following a child safety assessment, sibling was discharged from hospital into a licensed foster home.

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

A determination of whether services are warranted will occur at the conclusion of the investigation. The investigation is ongoing.

^{*}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).