Child Fatality Report Release of Information to the Public

Person ID: 106819949

County of Child's Residence: TRAVIS

Gender: Male

Age: 1 Year(s) 1 Month(s)

Date of Death: 01/28/2022

On the date of the fatality, the child was not in DFPS conservatorship and was living with the child's parent, a managing conservator, a legal guardian or other person entititled to the child's possession.

Child's Name: Yanez Reynero,Nathan

Current Report(s) of Abuse/Neglect:

Intake Date(s): 1/28/2022, 1/29/2022, 2/2/2022

Summary of Allegation(s)/Investigation:

The Department received three reports regarding the drowning of the deceased child. The allegations were that law enforcement and emergency services had responded to the reported incident of a child drowning. Upon arrival, the deceased child and the deceased child's siblings were found in the back bedroom with a door that was locked on the outside with a deadbolt. The deceased child's father was in the living room and not with deceased child and siblings. The deceased child's father stated the last he had seen the deceased child alive was in the bedroom, on the floor while drinking a bottle. The deceased child's father was reported to use methamphetamine. It was further alleged that the deceased child's mother was aware of the deceased child's father's drug use and that the deceased child's father was not an appropriate caregiver.

The department's investigation determined that the deceased child was left in the care of the deceased child's father, who is known to use drugs. The deceased child's father admitted to placing the deceased child in the bathtub with the shower running while he used drugs. The deceased child's father reported that the use of drugs had caused him to lose consciousness. When the deceased child's father awakened, he found the deceased child was not breathing.

The Medical Examiner completed an autopsy. At the time of DFPS case closure, the final autopsy had not been received.

A law enforcement investigation was completed and the deceased child's father was arrested for Abandonment/Endangerment of a child imminent danger with bodily injury.

Investigation Findings:

The department confirmed the allegation that the deceased child's father is responsible for the neglectful supervision of the deceased child, which resulted in the child's death. The deceased child's father admitted to using drugs and passing out after having left the deceased child in the bathtub with the shower running.

The department did not obtain information to support the allegation of the deceased child or the deceased child's siblings being physically abused by the deceased child's father.

The deceased child's mother was found to be responsible for the Neglectful Supervision of the deceased child and the deceased child's siblings. The deceased child's mother allowed the children to be in sole care of the deceased child's father when she was aware that the deceased child's father was using illegal drugs while caring for the children.

The department confirmed the allegation that the deceased child's father committed neglectful supervision of the deceased child's siblings. The deceased child's father used illegal drugs while providing care to the deceased child's siblings.

Safety and Risk Assessment:
1/29/2022 - Safety Assessment - Safe
1/31/2022 - Safety Assessment - Unsafe
3/11/2022 - Safety Assessment - Safe
1/30/2022 - Risk Assessment - Very High

Safety and Risk Assessment Factors Identified:

Case Action:

Removal/Subcare

Services and Referrals Provided to the Family:

Counseling and Evaluation,Parent/Caregiver Training

Other Services:

Other Actions Taken to Mitigate Risk:

If one or more children were previously removed from the home, for each conservatorship episode, summarize dates of conservatorship and type of placement at the end of conservatorship:

Not applicable

Other Previous Report of Abuse/Neglect:

Intake Date(s):

Summary of Previous Allegation(s)/Investigation:

Investigation Findings:

Safety and Risk Assessment Factors Identified:

Case Action:

Services and Referrals Provided to the Family:

Other Services:

Other Actions Taken to Mitigate Risk:

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