Child Fatality Report Release of Information to the Public

Person ID: 108599544

County of Child's Residence: HIDALGO

Gender: Male

Age: 5 Year(s) 7 Month(s)

Date of Death: 08/25/2022

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: Trevino,Jayden

Current Report(s) of Abuse/Neglect:

Intake Date(s): 08/25/2022

Summary of Allegation(s)/Investigation:

The Department received a report the aunt of the deceased child would transport the child to school every morning. The aunt is a teacher at the school the deceased child attended. The deceased child would take the school bus to the grandparent's home in the afternoon. On 8/25/2022, the aunt picked up the child to take to school. The deceased child would usually exit the aunt's vehicle himself and walk into the school. In the afternoon, the deceased child did not arrive at the grandparent's home. The grandparent contacted the school and was informed the deceased child was marked absent for the day. The aunt was still at school and was questioned. The aunt looked in her car and found the deceased child, unresponsive. The deceased child was taken to the nurse's office and CPR was initiated. When the paramedics arrived it was determined the child was deceased.

During the investigation, it was learned that the deceased child did not reside with his parents or siblings. The deceased child had been residing with the paternal grandparents for several years. The parents of the deceased child did not transport the deceased child to or from school. The paternal aunt stated the deceased child had fallen asleep in the backseat of the vehicle when driving to school that morning. The paternal aunt stated she left the deceased child asleep, in the vehicle, when she stopped at a store before arriving to school. The paternal aunt arrived at the school, gathered her belongings and walked into the school. She stated she did not remember seeing the deceased child exit or enter the school.

The medical examiner completed an autopsy. Final results were not available at case closure however preliminary findings indicated Cause of Death was Hyperthermia (Heat Stroke) and Manner of Death was Accident.

Law enforcement completed an investigation and the paternal aunt was arrested and charged with criminal negligent homicide.

Investigation Findings:

The Department confirmed the paternal aunt committed neglectful supervision of the deceased child which led to the child's death.

Safety and Risk Assessment Factors Identified:

Structured Decision Making Safety Assessments:
1.) 08/26/2022: Safety Assessment - Initial: Safe
2.) 10/11/2022: Safety Assessment - Reassessment: Safe

Risk Assessment Final Risk Level: Moderate

Case Action:

Close

Services and Referrals Provided to the Family:

Counseling and Evaluation

Other Services:

Other Actions Taken to Mitigate Risk:

The parents of the deceased child were provided with community resources for grief counseling for the family. There was a companion case investigation for the paternal aunt as she has her own children under her care. The paternal aunt sought counseling services and was provided with information on available community resources.

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:

Other Previous Report of Abuse/Neglect:

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