Child Fatality Report Release of Information to the Public

Person ID: 110836060

County of Child's Residence: BEXAR

Gender: Male

Age: 6 Year(s) 6 Month(s)

Date of Death: 09/20/2025

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: Stevenson,Sevany

Current Report(s) of Abuse/Neglect:

Intake Date(s): 09/20/2025, 09/20/2025 - two reports merged into single investigation

Summary of Allegation(s)/Investigation:

The Department received two reports due to law enforcement responding to an emergency call to the deceased child's home. The deceased child's mother called law enforcement after she found the deceased child and the deceased child's sibling locked inside the mother's car. The mother told law enforcement the children had locked themselves inside the car. The mother claimed she found them unresponsive inside the car and took them inside the home prior to law enforcement arriving. Law enforcement and Emergency Medical Services responded to the family home and were unable to revive the two children.

The Department's investigation determined that the deceased child lived with his mother and his sibling in the home. The mother was arrested for injury to a child. The Department was not able to interview the mother due to an ongoing criminal investigation and her having legal representation. The mother told law enforcement she was unaware her children were inside the locked car for several hours. The mother's explanation of the incident and the timeline she provided did not coincide with law enforcement's findings. The state of decomposition in which the deceased child and his sibling were found, indicated they had been in the car for longer than five hours, which is what the mother told law enforcement. The vehicle in which the deceased child was found was parked in the driveway of the home, which provided no shade. The vehicle was not running and had all windows and doors locked, which prevented the children from getting out of the vehicle. The mother was not able to provide an explanation as to why she was unaware that her children were inside the locked vehicle for several hours. Neighbors reported that the deceased child and his sibling had been brought back home by neighbors on several occasions after being found wandering alone in the neighborhood. The mother told law enforcement she would leave snacks in the car for the children and to go get

them whenever they wanted.

The medical examiner conducted an autopsy however the final report was not available at the time the Department's investigation was closed.

Law enforcement conducted an investigation that was still ongoing at the time the Department's investigation was closed. The mother was arrested and charged with injury to a child to cause serious bodily injury.

Investigation Findings:

The Department confirmed that the mother committed neglectful supervision of the deceased child, which led to the child's death.

The Department confirmed that the mother committed neglectful supervision of the deceased child's 3-year-old sibling, which led to the sibling's death.

Safety and Risk Assessments not required by policy as the only children in the home died.

Safety and Risk Assessment Factors Identified:

Case Action:

Only child died

Services and Referrals Provided to the Family:

Counseling and Evaluation

Other Services:

The deceased child's mother was provided with bereavement services and she accepted them.

No Service Referrals and deceased child was an only child.

Other Actions Taken to Mitigate Risk:

Not applicable.

The Department's investigation was closed.

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.

Previous Report of Abuse/Neglect:

Intake Date(s): 05/05/2023, 05/18/2023 - two reports merged into single investigation

Summary of Previous Allegation(s)/Investigation:

The Department received a report stating that law enforcement was contacted due to the deceased child being found unattended. The deceased child was found wandering in the hallway of a motel that the family was staying in. The deceased child's mother was not at home, and the deceased child was being supervised by an unknown house member at the time, who said she had gone to use the bathroom and did not realize the deceased child was missing for at least 30 minutes. The Department received a second report stating the mother arrived at the hospital for medical issues. The deceased child and his sibling were under care of their mother and could not remain in the hospital with their mother while she received medical attention. It was reported that there was no family to contact, and the shelter could not watch the children.

The Department's investigation determined that the mother was meeting the children's needs and was supervising them appropriately. The deceased child and the sibling were observed to be injury free and well kept. Collaterals confirmed that the mother was meeting the children's medical needs. The mother clarified that when the deceased child got out of the hotel room, she was at Wal Mart and returned to the hotel immediately when she found out her son had left the room without the caregiver noticing.

Investigation Findings:

The Department did not confirm an unknown individual committed the neglectful supervision of the deceased child and his sibling.

The Department did not confirm the unrelated household member committed neglectful supervision of the deceased child.

Safety and Risk Assessment Factors Identified:

Structured Decision Making Safety Assessments:
1.) 05/31/2023: Safety Assessment - Initial: Safe

Risk Assessment Final Risk Level: Moderate

Case Action:

Services and Referrals Provided to the Family:

Other Services:

The family accepted services and referrals offered, to include parenting skills and counseling resources. The family was engaged in these services in the community at the close of the case.

Other Actions Taken to Mitigate Risk:

Not applicable.

The Department's investigation was closed.

Previous Report of Abuse/Neglect:

Intake Date(s): 06/18/2023 - four reports merged into single investigation

Summary of Previous Allegation(s)/Investigation:

The Department received four reports on 06/18/2023 stating the deceased child's mother has been acting strangely. The mother had been seen crying and overwhelmed. The mother mentioned she wished she could leave her children. The deceased child and his sibling have not been harmed. The mother denies any mental health diagnosis and tested negative on a drug test the shelter administered. Emergency Medical Services were contacted, and the mother was taken to the hospital for evaluation.

The Department's investigation determined that the mother was meeting her children's needs. Medical professionals shared the mother's mental health was not of immediate concern and she was suffering from an anxiety attack and a heat stroke. The mother denied she wanted to leave her children and tested negative on a drug test.

Investigation Findings:

The Department did not confirm the mother committed neglectful supervision of the deceased child and the sibling.

Safety and Risk Assessment Factors Identified:
06/19/2023: Safety Assessment - Initial: Safe
Risk Assessment Final Risk Level: High

Safety and Risk Assessment Factors Identified:

Case Action:

Services and Referrals Provided to the Family:

Other Services:

The mother agreed to accept services provided by the Department.

Other Actions Taken to Mitigate Risk:

The investigation was closed, and the case was opened to Family-Based Services on 07/05/2023 and closed on 01/16/2024. During this case, the mother was referred to individual counseling to address the effects of domestic violence. The mother was also set up with community resources; housing, Child Care, Medicaid and Supplemental Needs for Assistance Program (food stamps).

Previous Report of Abuse/Neglect:

Intake Date(s): 08/29/2023

Summary of Previous Allegation(s)/Investigation:

The Department received a report stating the deceased child's mother left the child and his sibling alone in a shared dining area at a transitional living center for about 10-15 minutes. There is a video showing mother leaving the children without making arrangements with anyone. Other residents had to attend to the sibling

before she fell out of the highchair. The children are often heard screaming and crying in the room where the mother leaves them alone. The deceased child is diagnosed with autism. Other residents have reported seeing the mother flicking the deceased child and sibling on the face.

The Department's investigation determined that the deceased child and sibling were residing in a transitional shelter with their mother. The mother admitted to leaving the children alone in the dining area while she went upstairs to their room to get key to the pantry. The mother admitted to not making arrangements with anyone to watch her children. During the time the children were alone, the deceased child's sibling was climbing out of the highchair and almost hit the floor. The deceased child is diagnosed with autism and requires adult supervision at all times. The children were observed to be injury free at the time of contact by the Department. The mother was educated regarding appropriate discipline and agreed not to flick them as a method of discipline.

Investigation Findings:

The Department confirmed the mother committed neglectful supervision against the deceased child and his sibling.

The Department did not confirm the mother committed physical abuse against the deceased child and his sibling.

Safety and Risk Assessment Factors Identified:

Structured Decision Making Safety Assessments:
1.) 09/14/2023: Safety Assessment - Initial: Safe

Risk Assessment Final Risk Level: High

Case Action:

Services and Referrals Provided to the Family:

Other Services:

No additional services or referrals provided as the mother was already working with Family-Based Services.

Other Actions Taken to Mitigate Risk:

Not applicable.

The Department's investigation was closed as there was already an on-going Family-Based Safety Services case.

Previous Report of Abuse/Neglect:

Intake Date(s): 06/12/2024

Summary of Previous Allegation(s)/Investigation:

The Department received a report stating that the deceased child was autistic and would not eat certain food the shelter where the family was living at would provide. The deceased child's neurologist provided the mother a note to provide to the shelter asking the shelter to allow the mother to bring in dry foods/snacks into the shelter for the child. The shelter only allowed the mother to bring in cereal, not crackers or granola bars for the deceased child. The shelter is not allowing her to bring in outside food because they want for her to purchase the items from the shelter's vending machines.

The Department's investigation was administratively closed due to the Department lacking jurisdiction to investigate a shelter.

Investigation Findings:

The Department administratively closed concerns the deceased child was being neglectfully supervised.

Safety and Risk Assessments not required by policy.

Safety and Risk Assessment Factors Identified:

Case Action:

Services and Referrals Provided to the Family:

Other Services:

No services or referrals were provided.

Other Actions Taken to Mitigate Risk:

Not applicable.

The Department's investigation was closed.

Previous Report of Abuse/Neglect:

Intake Date(s): 02/27/2025

Summary of Previous Allegation(s)/Investigation:

The Department received a report stating the deceased child is nonverbal and has been showing up to school with very poor hygiene, clothes and diapers that are not his size and hungry.

The Department administratively closed the allegations due to collaterals not having concerns for abuse or neglect of the deceased child. The reporter shared the concerns were for the financial difficulties the family was encountering. The deceased child's school reached out to the family to provide available community resources.

Investigation Findings:

The Department administratively closed concerns the deceased child was being physically neglected.

Safety and Risk Assessment Factors Identified:

Case Action:

Services and Referrals Provided to the Family:

Other Services:

No services or referrals were provided.

Other Actions Taken to Mitigate Risk:

Not applicable.

The Department's investigation was closed.

Previous Report of Abuse/Neglect:

Intake Date(s): 05/28/2025

Summary of Previous Allegation(s)/Investigation:

The Department received a report stating the deceased child's mother was observed repeatedly hitting and punching the deceased child's sibling in the face and on the head. There were no injuries reported but the mother drove off before the sibling could be looked at close up. The incident occurred in a business parking lot. The sibling appeared to have run out into the parking lot and the mother screamed at her, grabbed her and took her to their car where she started hitting her. Bystanders confronted the mother who kept saying she was only "bopping" the child on the head, but she was seen fully punching the child in the face and on the head. The mother cursed and made threats towards the bystander before taking off. The deceased child was present during this incident, and there were no concerns reported for him.

The Department's investigation determined that the mother was disciplining the sibling for running towards the street. Video surveillance was reviewed, and no abuse occurred while the mother was discipling the sibling. The sibling was observed to be injury free. Collaterals were obtained and they shared no concerns for the children's wellbeing while under the mother's care.

Investigation Findings:

The Department did not confirm the mother committed physical abuse of the deceased child's sibling.

Safety and Risk Assessment Factors Identified:

Structured Decision Making Safety Assessments:
1.) 06/04/2025: Safety Assessment - Initial: Safe

Risk Assessment Final Risk Level: Moderate

Case Action:

Services and Referrals Provided to the Family:

Other Services:

The mother accepted community resources provided by the Department, to include early childhood screening or development.

Other Actions Taken to Mitigate Risk:

Not applicable.

The Department's investigation was closed.

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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