

CHILD WELFARE AGENCY PUBLIC DISCLOSURE FORM

Date: 2/13/2025

Agency Name: Clark County Family Services (CCFS)

Agency Address: 121 S. Martin Luther King Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89106

Date of written notification to the Division of Child and Family Services and Legislative Auditor: 2/6/2025

Internal reference UNITY Case Number: 1392197

- Child Fatality Date of Death:
- Near Fatality Date of Near Fatality: 2/2/2025
- Portions of information on this form have been withheld at the request of (Name of agency) law enforcement agency.
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INFORMATION FOR RELEASE

A. Date of the notification to the child welfare agency of the fatality/near fatality of a child:

2/2/2025

B. Location of child at the time of death or near fatality (city/county):

Las Vegas, Clark

C. A summary of the report of abuse or neglect and a factual description of the contents of the report:

CCFS received a report that the child was found unconscious outside of a trailer park by an unknown bystander. Emergency medical personnel was dispatched to the location and transported him to a local area hospital where, upon arrival, medical evaluation deemed him to be in serious and critical condition due to a suspected overdose. There are concerns regarding supervision of the child and that he does not have a legal guardian. There are also concerns that the child has a history of running away and hangs out at a trailer park and with homeless people.

D. The date of birth and gender of child:

9/28/2009, Male

E. The date that the child suffered the fatality or near fatality:

2/2/2025

F. The cause of the fatality or near fatality, if such information has been determined:

The cause of the near fatality is under investigation.

G. Whether the agency had any contact with the child or a member of the child's family or household before the fatality or near fatality and, if so...

- (1) The frequency of any contact or communication with the child or a member of the child's family or household before the fatality or near fatality and the date on which the last contact or communication occurred before the fatality or near fatality;
- (2) Whether the agency which provides child welfare services provided any child welfare services to the child or to a member of the child's family or household before or at the time of the fatality or near fatality;
- (3) Whether the agency which provides child welfare services made any referrals for child welfare services for the child or for a member of the child's family or household before or at the time of the fatality or near fatality;
- (4) Whether the agency which provides child welfare services took any other actions concerning the welfare of the child before or at the time of the fatality or near fatality; and
- (5) A summary of the status of the child's case at the time of the fatality or near fatality, including, without limitation, whether the child's case was closed by the agency which provides child welfare services before the fatality or near fatality and, if so, the reasons that the case was closed.

The information contained in this section is limited to contact(s) with the child who is the subject of this disclosure or a member of that child's family or household that is related to the fatality or near fatality incident. This limitation is required to preserve the confidentiality of all child abuse and neglect reports and records in order to protect the rights of the child and family as mandated by the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 5101 et seq.).

CCFS has the following prior CPS history for this child or member of the child's family or household:

11/19/2013 – A report was received alleging abuse and neglect. Upon conclusion of the requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated.

6/8/2017 – A referral was received and was coded “Information Only”.

5/18/2019 – A report was received alleging neglect. Court action was initiated, with the child and relevant family members being taken into protective custody. Upon conclusion of the requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated. Appropriate services and referrals were provided to the family based upon assessment. The child and relevant family members were returned to their adult caregiver on 6/7/2019 and no further court action was deemed necessary. The case closed.

8/15/2021 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of the requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated. The family was provided with information and materials regarding available community resources, and the case closed.

12/7/2021 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of the requisite investigation, the allegations were found substantiated. On 12/20/2021, during the course of the investigation, a second report alleging neglect was received. The allegations in that report were found unsubstantiated. Based upon assessment, the family was not in need of ongoing services, and the case closed.

3/28/2022 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of the requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated. Based upon assessment, the family was provided with relevant needed information, as well as general information regarding available community resources. The case closed.

6/17/2022 – A referral was received and was coded “Information Only”.

12/4/2023 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of the requisite investigation, the allegations were found substantiated. On 1/6/2024, during the course of the open investigation, a report was received alleging abuse and neglect involving the child who is the subject of this disclosure and another adult caregiver with whom he was residing. Upon conclusion of the requisite investigation, the allegations were found substantiated. During the course of the open case, the child and family's whereabouts became unknown. CCFS conducted diligent search efforts to locate the child and family, including accessing relevant human services databases, however the efforts were unsuccessful. The case closed.

2/6/2024 – A report was received alleging abuse and neglect. CCFS responded to hospital where the child was reported to be, however he ran away from the hospital prior to being placed into Protective Custody. A missing person report was filed with law enforcement. Initially, contact was able to be made with the family, however they ceased responding and their whereabouts became unknown. CCFS conducted diligent search efforts to locate the family, including accessing relevant human services databases. Due to unsuccessful attempts to locate the family, the case closed and was coded “Unable to Locate”.

3/17/2024 – A report was received alleging abuse and neglect. Court action was initiated with the child being taken into Protective Custody. On 4/16/2024, a hearing was held, with the child being noted as being on runaway status. The Petition was Dismissed Without Prejudice. Upon conclusion of the requisite investigation, the allegations of neglect were found substantiated, and the allegation of abuse was found unsubstantiated. The case closed.

6/7/2024 and 6/19/2024 – Reports was received alleging neglect and were investigated concurrently. On 6/7/2024, the child who is the subject of this disclosure was taken into Protective Custody; however, ran away during assessment. On 6/19/2024, the second report was received regarding a relevant family and that family member ran away prior to being placed in Protective Custody. Runaway reports were completed for each child. Upon conclusion of the requisite investigation for each report, the allegations were found substantiated. Diligent search efforts to locate the family were made as the whereabouts of the family members were unknown, however were unsuccessful and the case was closed.

CCFS has had an open case for the family since 7/15/2024, with multiple reports having been received relating to the child and/or relevant family members. On 7/15/2024, 10/27/2024 and 12/5/2024 reports were received alleging

neglect, and after diligent search efforts were unsuccessful, were coded "Unable to Locate". On 7/21/2024 and 7/30/2024, reports were received alleging neglect and upon conclusion of the requisite investigation for each, the allegations were found substantiated. On 7/24/2024 and 9/19/2024 reports were received alleging neglect. Court action was initiated in both instances and the relevant family members were determined to be in need of protection. The allegations were found substantiated. The family was placed under formal supervision and a case plan put in place. The case remains open for ongoing Permanency services with actions, referrals, and services being provided as deemed appropriate.

H. Whether the agency which provides child welfare services, in response to the fatality or near fatality...

- (1) Has provided or intends to provide child welfare services to the child or to a member of the child's family or household; and
- (2) Has made or intends to make a referral for child welfare services for the child or for a member of the child's family or household; and
- (3) Has taken or intends to take any other action concerning the welfare and safety of the child or any member of the child's family or household.

CCFS has opened a case for investigation relating to the near fatality incident. CCFS will continue, as deemed appropriate, provide child welfare services, make referrals for child welfare services, and/or take action concerning the welfare and safety of the child and/or relevant members of the child's family or household.

[NON-DISCLOSURE NOTICE](#)

The following information must not be released (see Policy on Public Disclosure of Child Fatality and Near Fatality Information, page 5):
1) Information regarding the sibling(s) of a deceased child; 2) a privileged communication between attorney and client; 3) information regarding the sibling(s) of a deceased child; 4) the name of the reporting party or individual making an allegation or referral will not be released; 5) if the disclosure of the information would adversely affect any pending investigation concerning a report (NRS 432B.290(4)-(5)); 6) if the disclosure violates other federal or state law, including, but not limited to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), Family Educational and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), alcohol and drug abuse patient records (42 USC §290dd-2 and 42 CFR §212 (c)(6)), and any other applicable law.