

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of KE'SHAUN DYSON, Minor.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

JIMMIKA LA'SHAY DYSON,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

AKINYELE BELL,

Respondent.

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No. 253452

Berrien Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 02-000075-NA

Before: Hoekstra, P.J., and Cooper and Kelly, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent appeals as of right from the trial court order terminating her parental rights to the minor child under MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i), (g), and (j). We affirm. This appeal is being decided without oral argument pursuant to MCR 7.214(E)(1)(b).

The trial court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory grounds were established by clear and convincing evidence. MCR 3.977(J); *In re Sours*, 459 Mich 624, 633; 593 NW2d 520 (1999); *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Although fourteen months had passed since the initial dispositional order was entered, respondent remained unable to provide for the child's basic physical needs because she was unemployed and did not have independent housing. Respondent complied with some components of the case service plan, including completing parenting classes and attending parenting time, but she had not documented her efforts at seeking employment and did not consistently attend counseling.

Further, although it was undisputed that there was a bond between respondent and the child, the evidence failed to show that termination of respondent's parental rights was clearly not in the child's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341, 356-357; 612 NW2d 407 (2000). The minor child was very young and needed permanency and stability that respondent was unable to provide.

Affirmed.

/s/ Joel P. Hoekstra
/s/ Jessica R. Cooper
/s/ Kirsten Frank Kelly