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California Kicked-Off This Summer Season With Major Wins!

SACRAMENTO – Several California Lottery players across the state are celebrating summer with some nice Lottery prizes.

In Northern California, **Sylvia Garcia** purchased an *Ultimate Millions Scratchers*® ticket and scored a \$10 million prize. She bought her ticket at the 7-Eleven located on Lakeville Highway in **Petaluma (Sonoma County)**. Garcia plans to buy a house, start a business and invest her winnings.

Romeo Quinto Jr. won the \$5 million top prize on the *Luck Scratchers* ticket. He actually went to the Fallon Gate Chevron located at 2760 Dublin Boulevard in **Dublin (Alameda County)** for a car wash, but the line was too busy so he decided to get a drink and a *Scratchers* ticket instead. Good thinking Romeo! He plans to pay off debt, help others and invest his prize.

Jai McLin won \$2 million on the *Instant Prize Crossword Scratchers* ticket. He bought the ticket at Oakland Liquor & Market located at 1335 17th Street in **Oakland (Alameda County)**.

Hue Tiet is \$1.2 million richer after playing a *Set For Life Scratchers* ticket he bought at Jackson Pure Water located at 301 North Jackson Avenue, #7B in **San Jose (Santa Clara County)**.

Players from the Central Valley are also celebrating this summer with big wins. **Francisco Rocha Jr.** won the \$1 million top prize playing the *Million Dollar Multiplier Scratchers* ticket. That winning ticket was purchased at Pic N Go II located at 138 North Maple Avenue in **Fresno (Fresno County)**. Rocha, a college student, was only in Fresno to celebrate a family member's birthday, but he's the one who got the big gift! Rocha plans to put a down payment on a house, buy a car, pay for college and invest!

Two players won \$5 million on *Scratchers* tickets. One of the players is **Jebr Alfarah**, who played the *2021 Scratchers* ticket that he purchased at Sierra Express Mart located at 508 South Mirage Avenue in **Lindsay (Tulare County)**. The other \$5 million winner, **Michael Snyder**, won his prize by playing the *100X Scratchers* ticket he bought at 608 Alamo Pintado Road in **Solvang (Santa Barbara County)**.

Lawrence Carvalho is \$2 million richer after playing an *Instant Prize Crossword Scratchers* ticket he bought at Chevron Food Mart located at 1164 Pacheco Boulevard in **Los Banos (Merced County)**.

We wrap up this winning group with two players who each scored \$1 million. **Juan Salazar Varela** played the *Million Dollar Multiplier Scratchers* ticket and scored the top prize. He purchased it at Riverdale Liquor located at 3428 West Mount Whitney Avenue in **Riverdale (Fresno County)**. **Theresa Mason** played the *Merry & Bright Scratchers* ticket and won \$1 million as well. She bought it at Broadway Liquor Mart #2 located at 7089 North Barks Avenue #111 in **Fresno (Fresno County)**.

*****All winners respectfully decline any potential requests for media interviews. No photos or additional information about them will be released.*****

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The California Lottery's mission is to provide supplemental funding to California public schools, including kindergarten and grades 1-12, community colleges, the California State University, the University of California, and other California public educational entities. The funds the Lottery transferred to public education totaled approximately \$1.8 billion for fiscal year 2018-19, which amounted to a modest percentage of education's overall budget. However, this funding is largely nondiscretionary, meaning schools can use this for important, yet unfunded instructional programs they would otherwise not afford. During the same period, the Lottery generated almost \$7 billion in sales, more than 95% of which went back to the community in the form of prize payments, retailer commissions and bonuses, and contributions to education. The California Lottery urges its customers to play responsibly. Problem gambling resources are available to anyone at 1-800- GAMBLER.

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