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## Many Find Ways To Win Big as CA Lottery Reveals New Millionaires

**SACRAMENTO** – There are many ways California Lottery players can win big, and this list of the Lottery's newest millionaires being unveiled today is proof.

**Aaron Hall** won \$1,000,000 on a Winter Bucks Scratchers® ticket purchased at Vallarta Supermarket located at 38118 47th St. East in **Palmdale (Los Angeles County)**.

**Jesus Ramos-Urena** won \$2,000,000 on an Instant Prize Crossword Scratchers purchased at the 7-Eleven located at 775 North East Street in **Anaheim (Orange County)**.

**Mohajer Samakar** also won \$2,000,000 playing that same game. This lucky Instant Prize Crossword ticket came from the 7-Eleven at 6602 Irvine Center Drive in **Irvine** (**Orange County**).

**Peter Powers** won \$1,000,000 on a Gold Rush Scratchers purchased at Aliso Viejo All Hands Carwash located at 22952 Pacific Park Drive in **Aliso Viejo (Orange County)**.

Scratchers games aren't the only way players can try their luck.

Tonight's Powerball® jackpot is an estimated \$454 million! Draws take place on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays at 7:59 p.m. **Tickets must be purchased by 7 p.m. to be eligible for that night's draw.** There's also \$37 million up for grabs tonight in California's own in-state jackpot game SuperLotto Plus®.

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 more than \$1.8 billion for fiscal year 2020-21, 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 \$8.4 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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