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## California Lottery Launches New Tool to Track Money for **Public Schools**

SACRAMENTO – The California Lottery has unveiled a <u>new, interactive tool</u> that lets the public see how much California Lottery funding goes to schools by county and by school district.

The mission of the California Lottery is to raise supplemental funding for public education, and visitors to the Lottery's website can now see exactly where the nearly \$2 billion raised annually goes.

"We developed this follow-the-dollars feature on our website to help Californians better understand the true purpose of the Lottery," said Alva V. Johnson, California State Lottery Director. "We exist solely to generate additional money for public schools, and this tool demonstrates our commitment not only to our mission but our commitment to transparency as well."

The tool allows people to hover their mouse over an interactive map of California, breaking down the dollars by county.



Visitors can also type a specific county name in the search field above the map to view the Lottery's latest and historical contributions to education for that area. The map and search functions also work on mobile devices. Additionally, people can narrow the search even further by looking at how much Lottery funding has gone to a specific school district or school.

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The most recent Fiscal Quarter Lottery contributions to public schools:			
	Q4 FY 2020-2021 <b>\$17,631,402</b>	Cumulative Total (1985 to Present) \$1,414,935,075	
FIND YOUR SCHOOL DISTRICT OR SCHOOL			
	or school to see the Lottery's most recent o ol name produces no results, search by the	quarterly contributions. Most funding is provided district name.	d at the school district
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Sacramento City Unified The most recent Fiscal Quarter Lottery contribution (if available) and Cumulative Total:			
	Q4 FY 2020-2021	Cumulative Total (1985 to Present)	
	\$2,409,924	\$252,296,217	

For more information on how to use the interactive map, watch our instructional video here.

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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 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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