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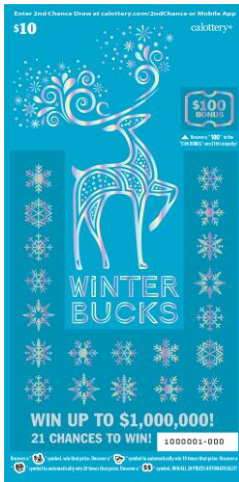
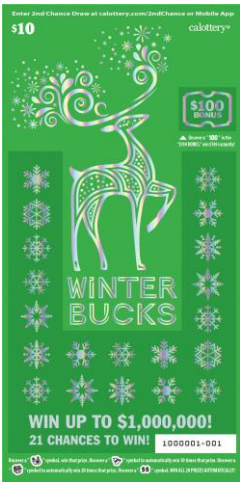
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### ***Southern California Player Finally Wins Big After Playing Since 1985!***

*The California Lottery Unveils More New Millionaires Across California*

**SACRAMENTO** – One of California’s newest millionaires, Guillermo Cuevas, is a great example of how players can win big playing Scratchers®. He just won \$1 million on a ticket that cost him only \$10.



“I’ve played California Lottery games since the very beginning. I still remember purchasing \$1 tickets in 1985,” Cuevas explained. “The amazing part of this story is that I bought the winning ticket with the prize from another ticket I bought earlier that day.”

Cuevas used his initial \$10 Scratchers winnings to buy the lucky Winter Bucks Scratchers at Newport Liquor on Beyer Boulevard in San Diego. The odds of winning the top prize of \$1 million for [Winter Bucks](#) are one in more than two million, and there are still two top-prize-winning tickets left in California! Newport Liquor will receive a \$5,000 bonus for selling the winning ticket.

Another one of the California Lottery’s newest millionaires is Ramon Gutierrez. He purchased a West Coast Winnings Scratchers ticket worth \$5 million at Jalco Liquor on Durfee Avenue in El Monte (Los Angeles County). Jalco Liquor will receive a \$25,000 bonus for selling that winning ticket.

The third newest millionaire is Genaro Pulido, who purchased a Year of Fortune Scratchers ticket worth \$5 million in Kings County. The store where Pulido got his winning ticket, Harrods Market and Furniture, is on East 6<sup>th</sup> Street in Hanford and will also get a \$25,000 bonus.

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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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