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## \$1.6 Million Sacramento Powerball® Ticket Set To Expire

If No One Comes Forward, Schools Win Big

**SACRAMENTO** – As the month of May comes to an end, the California Lottery is still waiting for the player who bought a winning Powerball ticket in Sacramento in November to come forward. **The \$1,675,676 prize will expire this week, on** <u>Thursday, May 26, 2022</u>, if it is not claimed.

The winning ticket is from the Saturday, November 27, 2021 Powerball draw. Someone who purchased that ticket at a Lichine's Liquor & Deli, at 7107 South Land Park Drive in Sacramento, matched five of the six winning numbers that night (8-32-55-64-66), missing only the red Powerball number (10).

Powerball winners who match five numbers have 180 days from the date of the draw to claim their prize. If nobody submits a claim by Thursday, the \$1.6 million prize money will instead go to public schools in California in line with the Lottery's mission. The Lottery exists solely to generate extra money for public education and has raised **more than \$1 billion just in unclaimed prizes** since Lottery tickets first went on sale in 1985.

Given this week's deadline, the Lottery is encouraging all players to double-check any Powerball tickets they're hanging onto <u>as soon as possible</u>. If a person believes they have the winning ticket, they'll need to complete a California Lottery claim form. Claim forms are available on our <u>website</u>, at <u>all nine Lottery District Offices</u>, and at any of our more than 23,000 Lottery retailers located throughout the state.

Players can submit their <u>signed claim form</u> (along with the winning ticket) in person at any California Lottery District Office, or they can choose to mail their documents to the following address:

California Lottery Headquarters 730 North 10th Street Sacramento, CA 95811

The outstanding \$1.6 million ticket **needs to be postmarked or claimed in person by Thursday May 26, 2022.** If the player holding the winning ticket needs additional assistance claiming their prize, they can email California Lottery Customer Service at <u>customerservice@calottery.com</u> or call 1-800-LOTTERY between the hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. PDT, Monday through Friday (except on state holidays). All claim information is summarized on the California Lottery <u>website</u>.

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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.