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### *A Sunny Money Staycation to Remember*

#### *A Trip to a La Habra Liquor Store Turns Up a Million Bucks*



**SACRAMENTO** – One lucky California Lottery player and his wife decided one recent weekend that, unlike most, they would just stay home for a change. It turned out to be a profitable decision.

Andrew Jeske went out to grab some food and, as part of the couple’s staycation routine, stopped by George’s Liquor at 1931 La Habra Boulevard to pick up a few Scratchers® games.

“Well, we usually go out of town every single weekend,” said Jeske, “but maybe once a month we stay home. When we do, I grab some food and stop at that store to pick up a few tickets. Then I give my wife a Scratchers.”

One of those purchases, a *Sunny Money* Scratchers, turned out to be worth a cool \$1 million.

Jeske, however, took the life-changing news in stride.

“My wife seemed a little excited, but we weren’t running around calling to plan vacations or nothing,” said Jeske calmly with a chuckle. Mostly he plans to keep quiet about his win, preferring that the store clerk continues to know him as just “that guy” who comes

in now and then to buy a couple Scratchers games.

### *Bigger Wins Around the State*

There were a couple of other recent wins that generated a bit more excitement among the players who discovered them.

**Moayad Hassan** leveled up his day with a \$10 million prize playing a 200X Scratchers game picked up from [Barley Bin Liquor in Whittier](#).

Meanwhile, a *Crossword Xtreme* Scratchers from the



Shell station at 1861 N. Ventura Road in Oxnard spelled out an incredible \$7 million top prize for **Jesus Solorio**.

## ***Schools Win With Every Game Played***

[Since 1985, the California Lottery has been fulfilling its mission of providing supplemental funding to public education](#), while paying more than \$90 billion to Lottery winners in every corner of the state. More than 95% of California Lottery sales revenue goes back to the community in the form of prize payments, [retailer compensation, commissions and bonuses](#), and contributions to education.

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The mission of the California Lottery is to raise additional funding for public education, helping to supplement school budgets for K-12 as well as colleges and universities. **The California Lottery has raised more than \$48 billion for public schools** through the responsible sale of its games since 1985. Lottery funding for schools is largely discretionary, so administrators and educators can use Lottery money for instructional programs and services they may not otherwise afford. The California Lottery features eight [draw games](#) and dozens of new instant [Scratchers](#) games each year. More than 95% of California Lottery sales revenue goes back to the community in the form of prize payments, [retailer commissions and bonuses](#), and contributions to education. More information about who benefits can be found [here](#). As jackpots rise, the California Lottery would like to remind players that ambling should be fun. Borrowing money to play, spending above a person's budget, or using money intended for other purposes can ultimately lead to significant problems for players and their families. If a player recognizes that they have a gambling problem or if someone knows of someone who may have a problem, the Lottery recommends calling the California Problem Gambling Help Line at 1-800-GAMBLER.



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