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Powerball® Makes Big Winner on Its Way Up

Escondido Mini Mart Mints a Millionaire

SACRAMENTO –Last night's *Powerball*® drawing allowed the jackpot to grow even bigger. With no top prize winners, the next draw on **Monday, February 23** will offer an estimated **\$203 million**.

The winning numbers were **27, 28, 36, 48, 49**, and the Powerball was **21**. One lucky ticket matched five numbers, missing only the Powerball and is worth **\$1,532,761!** It was sold at Varso Gas, located at the corner of Escondido Blvd and Brotherton Rd in Escondido.

Powerball drawings take place on **Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays at 7:59 p.m. PT**. Ticket sales close at **7 p.m. PT** on draw days, so purchases after that time apply to the next drawing.

You Play, Schools Win

Every California Lottery ticket sold contributes to public education — the Lottery's mission since the beginning. Draw games like [Powerball](#), [Mega Millions](#), [SuperLotto Plus®](#), [Fantasy 5®](#) and more help support schools in every county throughout California. Proceeds help [fund classroom resources](#), [technology upgrades](#), and [career training programs](#) for students from kindergarten through college. There's an interactive map on the California Lottery website at calottery.com/who-benefits which shows how Lottery funds are distributed to school districts across the state. Copies of the latest, audited, quarterly reports are also available on the website as well as videos highlighting how specific schools are using California Lottery funding for their students.

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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](#). California Lottery is also committed to promoting [responsible gaming](#). Anyone who shows signs of a gambling problem, or knows someone who does, can get free, confidential help by calling the CA Problem Gambling Hotline at 1-800-GAMBLER.



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