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### *Multimillion-Dollar Wins Across California*

#### *Five Lottery Players Claim \$26 Million in Scratchers® Prizes*

**SACRAMENTO** – Five California Lottery players turned a little play into a fortune, collectively claiming \$26 million from a variety of Scratchers games. Winners sold across the state had paydays from \$2 million to \$15 million.

In San Jose, **Nardin Daniloadeh** claimed the biggest prize, an impressive \$15 million, playing the [40 Years of Play! Scratchers](#) game. The winning ticket was purchased at Mike's Liquor, located at 6027 Snell Avenue.

In North Hollywood, **Helene Ashley** celebrated a \$5 million win from the [100X Scratchers](#) game. Her lucky ticket was sold at Vallarta Supermarket, located at 10859 Oxnard Street.

Three additional players each scored \$2 million prizes playing [Instant Prize Crossword Scratchers](#) games.

- **Oscar Espinoza Bautista** won his \$2 million prize with a ticket purchased from Sunny Liquor at 1083 E. Mission Boulevard in Pomona.
- **Filemon Rosales Ledesma** claimed his \$2 million win from Woodside Market at 4513 Pleasant Valley Road in Camarillo.
- **Naomi de Leon Limon** rounded out the group with a \$2 million prize from a game purchased at Sharp Liquor at 1620 Crows Landing Road in Modesto.

### *Play Responsibly*

The California Lottery is excited to share big wins and rising jackpots, but players are reminded that Lottery games are meant to be enjoyed as entertainment. Lottery games are not a way to make money and solve financial challenges. Players should play within a set budget that helps ensure the experience stays fun.

Help is available for those who need support. There are counselors available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through the Problem Gambling Help Line by calling 1-800-Gambler, texting SUPPORT to 53342 or chatting online at 800gambler.chat.



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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 gambling 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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