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Dumas Man Wins \$500,000 with Lucky Lottery Ticket

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — One Arkansas lottery player recently won big with a lucky scratch-off ticket he purchased on his way to work.

Dumas resident Michael R. won \$500,000 by playing the \$20 200X the Win instant game. He claimed his prize at the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery (ASL) Claim Center on July 19.

The winning ticket was sold at Dumas Mart on 225 Highway 65 S. in Dumas.

Michael purchased the winning ticket before work as part of his daily lottery-playing routine. Though the Dumas man enjoys the occasional Fast Play game, his loyalties lie with \$20 instant tickets. Sticking with his usual preference, Michael selected a 200X the Win scratch-off game.

Fortunately for Michael, his commitment paid off. Shortly after purchasing his ticket, he scratched it off and, to his amazement, discovered that he had won the \$500,000 top prize.

"I'll pay off my house!" Michael thought immediately.

Excited, the winner first told his girlfriend, then made a detour to the ASL Claim Center to collect his prize. Michael also called his mother, who was sound asleep when he decided to share the news.

Naturally, she jumped out of bed in shock.

"Say what now?" she asked. "Are you lying?"

Her surprise is understandable; the \$500,000 top prize far surpassed the \$1,000 prizes Michael had won previously. However, the winner was indeed telling the truth.

Though more than happy with his prize, the Dumas resident intends to continue playing lottery games.

Following Michael's win, two \$500,000 top prizes remain on the 200X the Win instant game.

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About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

The Arkansas Scholarship Lottery (ASL) creates winning people, winning futures, and winning moments. Since 2009, the ASL has sold over \$7.4 billion and returned more than \$1.4 billion for scholarships to benefit Arkansas students. More than 770,000 college scholarships distributed by the Arkansas Department of Higher Education have been awarded to Arkansans. The lottery has awarded more than \$5 billion in prizes to players, more than \$421 million in retailer commissions, and provided more than \$177 million in state and federal tax revenue.

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