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## Arkansas Lottery Winners Can Still Redeem Prizes By Mail and Appointment

LITTLE ROCK, AR (March 25, 2020) – While the COVID-19 outbreak has impacted operations for many in the state, the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery (ASL) wants winners to know that lottery prizes can still be redeemed.

Since March 1, more than \$24 million in prizes have been awarded. Of that, almost \$2 million were prizes of more than \$500.

"The work of the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery continues during an otherwise stressful time for all Arkansans," said Bishop Woosley, director of the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery. "We are pleased to be able to award prize money and know that most of it will be reinvested back into our economy at a time when we really need the boost."

Because of COVID-19 restrictions, prizes of less than \$25,000 must be redeemed by mail. Winners should go to MyArkansasLottery.com/ClaimYourPrize to print a form for completion and then mail it to P.O. Box 3838, Little Rock, AR 72203.

For prizes of \$25,000 or more, claims can be made by mail or in person by appointment at the Lottery Claims Center in Little Rock. Appointments are available any Monday, Wednesday or Friday between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Email appointment requests to <u>Sandra.Cummings@arkansas.gov</u>. The Claims Center is temporarily closed to walk-in traffic.

ASL reminds all Arkansans to play responsibly. For problem gambling help and resources, call or text the 24-hour hotline at 1-800-522-4700.

## About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

More than 92 cents of every dollar of ASL revenue goes to prizes, scholarships, retailer commissions and other expenses in Arkansas. Since 2009, the lottery has raised more than \$930 million in proceeds for scholarships. More than 542,000 college scholarships have been awarded to Arkansans. The lottery has awarded more than \$3 billion in prizes to players, about \$271 million in retailer commissions and provided more than \$131 million in state and federal tax revenue.

Follow the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u>. Visit <u>MyArkansasLottery.com</u> for more information on scholarships, winners, games, odds, promotions – and to join The Club for free. To hear winning numbers, call the Winning Numbers Hotline at 501-682-IWON (4966). To get help with problem gambling, contact the National Problem Gambling Helpline at 1-800-522-4700.