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Fort Smith Woman Wins \$500,000 Playing Instant Game

Mountain Home Man Claims \$50,000 Powerball Prize

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Fort Smith resident S. Jetullahu recently won \$500,000 playing the \$20 200X The Win instant game. She claimed her prize at the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery Claim Center on April 22.

The winning ticket was sold at Flash Market #7186 on 4601 Rogers Ave. in Fort Smith.

Jetullahu and her husband are weekly lottery players with a preference for scratch-off tickets. Noting that her birthday was approaching, Jetullahu's husband decided to purchase the 200X the Win instant game as a gift.

Too excited to wait, the Fort Smith woman scratched off her ticket early. She quickly discovered she had won the \$500,000 top prize and, shaking, shared the good news with her husband.

"When we saw the zeroes, it was just like, 'Oh my God,'" Jetullahu's husband told lottery officials.

"I still don't even believe it, looking at the ticket," the winner added.

Though the couple has previously won \$50,000 on another lottery game, they are elated with the \$500,000 prize.

"This is the one that'll change your life for good," the winner's husband said.

Jetullahu plans to pay off some debts and invest the rest of her prize. She and her husband also intend to continue playing lottery games.

There are three top prizes remaining on the 200X the Win instant game.

Another winner, Shelby K. of Mountain Home, won a \$50,000 prize from the April 17 Powerball® drawing. He claimed his prize on April 22.

The winning ticket was purchased at E-Z Mart #4243 on 1030 Highway 201 N. in Mountain Home. The winning numbers were 24, 29, 44, 47 and 54, with the Powerball number being 2. The multiplier was 2.

Shelby purchased the winning Quick Pick ticket on his way to work as part of a new routine. Usually only an occasional player, the Mountain Home man decided to buy lottery tickets more frequently after watching the Powerball jackpot skyrocket.

The Arkansan checked his numbers early Thursday morning after the drawing. Luckily, he had matched four out of five winning numbers, as well as the Powerball number, and won a \$50,000 prize.

"Almost!" Shelby thought at the time.

Though the prize "wasn't the big one" he had hoped for, the Mountain Home resident still plans to put the \$50,000 to good use, investing it in home improvements.

For more information on lottery games and how to play, visit MyArkansasLottery.com.

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 \$7.3 billion and returned more than \$1.3 billion for scholarships to benefit Arkansas students. More than 720,000 college scholarships distributed by the Arkansas Department of Higher Education have been awarded to Arkansans. The lottery has awarded more than \$4.9 billion in prizes to players, more than \$413 million in retailer commissions, and provided more than \$176 million in state and federal tax revenue.

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