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## GTECH Hotline:

1-800-458-0884
(For equipment problems or to order tickets.)

Available 4 a.m. - midnight, 7 doys a week

## Drawing Results:

 512-344-5010(For winning number results only.)

## Website:

www.xlottery.org

## Texas Lottery® Makes 13 the Lucky Number tor Lexas Schools

Texans may look at the number 13 in a whole new way after a Texas Lottery ${ }^{\circledR}$ transfer of $\$ 76.2$ million to the Foundation School Fund (FSF) on February 11, 2011. This transfer increased total transfers to the FSF from the Texas Lottery Commission to more than \$13 billion since 1997.

From 1992 to 1997, proceeds were allocated to the General Revenue Fund. Then the Texas Legislature dedicated [123352] Texas Lottery revenue to the FSF, which supports public education in Texas. Total transfers to the state from all sales since 1992 exceed $\$ 18$ billion.
"The $\$ 355$ million Mega Millions ${ }^{\circledR}$ jackpot for the January 4 drawing produced record sales for us," said Texas Lottery Commission Executive Director Gary Grief. "That jackpot along with a popular holiday suite of instant games helped push our transfers over the $\$ 13$ billion threshold."


The Mega Millions sales period that began on January 1 and continued through the drawing on January 4 set a new Texas record at $\$ 15.8$ million. [519412] Instant ticket sales for the week ending January 8 were almost $\$ 61$ million.

Approximately 27 cents of every dollar earned by the Texas Lottery goes to the FSF to support Texas education. During fiscal year (FY) 2010, which ended August 31, 2010, a total of $\$ 1.095$ billion was transferred to the state, including more than $\$ 1$ billion that went to the FSF. [127611] In fact, more than 95 percent of the total sales for FY 2010 were returned to the players in prizes, transfers to the FSF, retailer bonuses and commissions, and other state programs.
"I want to thank our players, our retailers and our staff for helping the Texas Lottery achieve this goal," said Grief. [498242] "But we're not done yet, and I'm looking forward to the continuation of support for Texas education through lottery sales in the future."

## New GIECH Contract Provides Newtédinology to Retaflers!

The Texas Lottery Commission (TLC) announced December 14, 2010, the award of a new nine-year contract to GTECH Corporation for lottery operations and services. As a Texas Lottery retailer, you have probably heard of some of the new equipment and services that will be made available to you as we implement the features of the new contract. [142010] Most visible to you, our valued retailers, will be the replacement of the current ISYS and GVT terminals with all new enhanced Altura touch-screen terminals.

Training and terminal swaps began in February and will continue through the summer as GTECH teams move across the state to train all retailers and then install the new Alturas. During this time, our goal is to provide outstanding service and training support for the new terminals, while limiting any disruption to your business during the installation process. [148073] All retailers will be required to accept the new terminal in order to continue selling and you must send at least one representative to training before your new terminal can be installed. A schedule of planned training by city is provided below.

| TRANING CITY | ESTIMATED DATES | TRANING CITY | ESTIMATED DATES | TRAINING CITY | ESTIMATED DATES |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Abilene | May 16-18 | El Paso | May 23-27 | McAllen | Apr 14-27 |
| Amarillo | June 15-17 | Fort Stockton | May 19 | Mount Pleasant | June 13 |
| Austin | Mar 7-25 | Fort Worth | Feb 7 - Mar 11 | Odessa | May 30 - June 1 |
| Beaumont | May 13-20 | Gonzales | Mar 28-29 | Ozona | May 12 |
| Big Spring | June 3 | Greenville | June 23-24 | Paris | June 15 |
| Brownfield | June 6 | Hereford | June 13 | San Angelo | May 16-17 |
| Brownwood | May 13 | Houston East | Feb 7 - Mar 31 | San Antonio | Feb 7 - Mar 4 |
| Bryan | June 13-17 | Houston West | Apr 4 - May 6 | Stephenville | May 25-27 |
| Canadian | June 22 | Huntsville | June 3-9 | Texarkana | June 10 |
| Childress | June 24 | Kerrville | May 9-10 | Tyler | May 27 - June 3 |
| Corpus Christi | Apr 4-12 | Killeen | May 6-11 | Uvalde | May 6 |
| Corsicana | May 30 - June 1 | Lake Jackson | May 9-11 | Vernon | June 28 |
| Dalhart | June 20 | Laredo | Apr 29 - May 2 | Victoria | Mar 31 - Apr 1 |
| Dallas | Mar 14 - May 4 | Lubbock | June 8-10 | Waco | June 21 - June 28 |
| Denison | June 17-21 | Lufkin | May 23-25 | Wichita Falls | May 20-23 |
| Eagle Pass | May 4 | Marshall | June 6-8 |  |  |

You will be contacted via postcard and phone calls to schedule your training. [258013] Your quick response will help the process proceed on schedule with little interruption or delay to your service. GTECH has established a centralized training hotline separate from the current hotline for reporting equipment problems. If you have training questions about the new equipment, please call 1-800-203-0498. Installation of terminals is expected to follow two to three weeks after training.

Along with your Altura terminal, GTECH will be replacing the current VFD and scrolling Starlite with an attractive flat-panel screen displaying player messages such as lottery validation transactions, current jackpot amounts and updates on the latest scratch-off games. Later on, we will be able to add other messages, including Amber Alerts, winning numbers and news highlights. We call the screen ESMM and encourage all retailers to help us in identifying the most effect placement to provide customers the latest lottery information.

We will also be providing you [507631] with updated new playstations, enhanced illuminated jackpot signs and other innovative tools to help you promote the Games of Texas.

Under the terms of the new contract, the state of Texas will realize many new services for our players and retailers, as well as potential savings of over $\$ 18$ million annually beginning September 1, 2011, or more than $\$ 160$ million through the life of the contract, based on current ticket sales levels.
"While obtaining updated state-of-the-art equipment and services was very important to our ongoing mission of generating revenue for the Foundation School Fund, in these tight budgetary times we are keenly aware that we must be good stewards of state funds," said TLC Executive Director Gary Grief. "To that end, we believe this new contract with GTECH [150232] provides us with the tools we need to keep moving the Texas Lottery forward while providing significant cost savings to the state."

GTECH has been the TLC Lottery Operator since its inception in 1992. [498198] GTECH is a $\$ 1.3$ billion international company currently providing lottery services to 24 of the 43 state lotteries in the United States and to over 50 other lotteries around the world.

To date, participating retailers have generated an additional $\$ 25.7$ million for the Foundation School Fund.

## RefaflersEarn Morethan 8BOLATIPOO Plormeth Sales Dramitue Program

When we first introduced the retailer sales incentive program in September 2009, we were confident you, our retailers, would jump on board for the opportunity to earn extra revenue and increase proceeds to the Foundation School Fund from the sale of Texas Lottery tickets. We have not been disappointed, as each of the four programs has met or exceeded expectations.


Don't miss out on your opportunity to earn more from your Texas Lottery sales. Talk to your sales rep about ideas for increasing and tracking your progress in the sales incentive programs!

It's been no surprise
to us that you quickly pursued and suc-
ceeded in meeting the program sales goals. [143034] We're happy to
report that the sales incentive program continues to be a success for our retailers and for the state of Texas.

Many of you have consistently demonstrated outstanding sales performance by exceeding the sales goals set for you. [225261] Results of the fourth program, which ended January 8, indicate 5,789 retailers achieved their goal, thereby earning a total of $\$ 4,473,900$ in sales incentives. In addition a total of $\$ 500,000$ was awarded to more than 300 retailers that were selected in the special sales incentive drawing. The two top prizes of $\$ 50,000$ were awarded to Budget Food Mart in Navasota and Anoosha Food Mart in Woodway. The remaining drawing prize winners included: 5-\$10,000 winners, 20-\$5,000 winners, 30-\$2,500 winners, $100-\$ 1,000$ winners and $150-\$ 500$ winners.

To date, participating retailers have generated an additional $\$ 25.7$ million for the Foundation School Fund and earned more than $\$ 11$ million in sales incentive [147825] and drawing payments on top of their 5-percent commission.

We are continuing the retailer sales incentive programs with the fifth program ending May 7 , followed by another drawing for prizes totaling $\$ 500,000$. Don't miss out on your opportunity to earn more from your Texas Lottery sales. Talk to your sales rep about ideas for increasing and tracking your progress in the sales incentive programs!

## Betailer Spotlight

## Five Easy Tips Make Zip ${ }^{\text {NN }}$ a Top Austin Lottery Destination

Zip'N Co-owner Amirali Prasla (who goes by "Mr. Ali") and his employees have an opportunity to engage their customers on every transaction as all sales come from inside merchandise. That one-onone customer engagement is one of the reasons that the Austin store's top-selling products are Texas Lottery tickets. [498202] Since taking over the business along with brother and partner Shaukat Prasla, Mr. Ali has grown his year-over-year on-line Texas Lottery sales by more than 20 percent and has seen his Pick $3^{\text {nIN }}$ sales grow almost 75 percent. When asked what has contributed to his success, Mr. Ali shared some of his best practices.

## Keep lottery merchandise well stocked and

 visible - Since 2003, Mr. Ali increased his scratchoff bins to a total of 68 and, with last year's addition of a GamePoint, [202715] now boasts a total of 109 bins. Zip'N is ready for business every morning at 6 a.m. with all bins fully stocked.Be sure to ask for the sale - One of Mr. Ali's favorite lines is, "Don't you want to try your luck today?" If a player asks, "What game is drawing today?" Mr. Ali answers the question and then continues with, "Now if you want to play an interesting game..." and launches into a quick lesson on how to play Pick 3.

Don't hesitate to teach your regular customers a new game - All employees know the Games of Texas and can teach new players how to play. One of Mr. Ali's favorites to teach is Pick 3 since players only need to spend 50 cents to try it out. Mr. Ali recommends suggesting an "exact" or "any" play to keep the game simple and fun for beginners. Mr. Ali has been known to write down the numbers for a new player and will personally call players to let them know if they won during the noon (12:27 p.m.) drawing.

## Take advantage of the player promotions -

 Mr. Ali will take the time to engage every consumer to let them know about a promotion. [258117] He displays the POS in prominent locations, but also communicates the information verbally during transactions. During the first Pick 3 Green Ball ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ promotion, Mr. Ali's store was one of the top performers by making sure all his customers knew about the special offer from the Texas Lottery.

Be sure to cash winning tickets for customers

- Mr. Ali will never turn away a Texas Lottery player with a winning ticket of $\$ 599$ or less. [145590] Mr. Ali maintains a winner awareness wall that is visible from the point of purchase and as he cashes those winnings, he graciously asks "Do you want to try your luck again?"

These five easy tips [499994] have helped Zip'N become an extremely successful Texas Lottery location. Try them out!


## April/May 2011 Retailer Survey

1. Have you received information about your new lottery sales terminal(s)? $\square$ Yes $\square$ No Don't Know

If yes, how were you informed (check all that apply)? Sales Rep Letter $\square$ Postcard $\square$ Phone Call Other (Please specify) $\qquad$
2. Have you received information about training for your new terminal? $\square$ Yes
$\square$ No
Don't Know
If yes, how were you informed (check all that apply)? $\square$ Sales Rep Letter $\square$ Postcard $\square$ Phone Call Other (Please specify)
3. Would you like more information about the changes to your equipment? $\square$ Yes No Don't Know

If yes, how would you like to receive information (check all that apply)? $\square$ Sales Rep Phone Call Email Retailer Newsletter $\square$ TLC Website Other (Please specify) $\qquad$
Email Address

## Your Retailer Number

Thank you for your time. A retailer will be selected from a random drawing of all completed surveys from this issue of RoundUp to receive a Texas Lottery prize package of promotional items!

Please send survey to: Dr. David Sizemore, Research Coordinator Texas Lottery Commission • P.O. Box 16630 • Austin, Texas 78761-6630 • FAX: 512-344-5254

## see green. win more.

## the Pick 3 green ball" bonus drawing is back!

From April 4 - 30, for no extra cost, your players could win approximately 20\% more on their Pick $3^{n \mid}$ prize when the green ball is drawn!

## Visit www.txlottery.org

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## Frequently Asked Questions

## Q. What kind of Texas Lottery promotional events can I have at my store?

A. We provide retailers with four standard in-store promotions, (Second-Chance Drawings, Customer Appreciation Day, Lone Star Spin, and Ask For The Sale), to help keep selling Texas Lottery games fun for you, your customers and staff. If you are interested in conducting an in-store promotion, we encourage you to contact your LSR and they will work with you to help promote lottery sales at your business:


SECOND-CHANCE DRAWZNGS Players with a non-wimning ricket set a second cbance to win when they participate in a retailer's second-cbance drawing.

## CUSTOMIR

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 and feature the Lone Star Spin at our promotional trailer at your location.

LONE STAVR SPINO Every player is a winner when they purchase tickets for a chance to spin the wheel.


ASK FOR THER SALE: Train your employees to ALWAYS ask for the sale!


If We Don't Ask!
Q. What information is available for retallers on the Texas Loftery website, www.txlottery.org?
A. Retailers Homepage FAQ, software updates, games list and more

- Retailer Service Center:

Account information for up to eight weeks

- Retailer Guide:

Guide to Policies and Procedures

- Retailer Forms:

License application and accounting forms

- Retailer Benefits E Bomuses:

Bonus and commission information

- Retailer Promotions:

Current promotions and incentive information
Q. When dol I noifify the loftery that I am temporarily dosing my business?
A. It is important that you contact the Texas Lottery immediately. We will assist you with tickets and equipment, and explain any financial responsibilities you may have while your business is closed. [213215] Advance notification will ensure that your LSR can complete their work in accordance with your business plans. Please contact the Texas Lottery Retailer Services Department at 1-800-375-6886.
Q. Is a retailer required to sell scratch-off fickets?
A. Yes. The Texas Administrative Code Rule 401.361 specifically states [154245] that each Texas Lottery retailer must offer at least two instant games for sale at all times.

## RetailerBomuses

| Game | Retailer | Location | Bonus |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Weekly Grand \#1270 | E Z Stop LLC | Corpus Christi | \$10,000 |
| \$500,000,000 <br> Blockbuster \#1114 | Valero Corner <br> Store \#2007 | Baytown | \$10,000 |
| Super Set <br> For Life II \#1028 | Sunmart \#141 | Houston | \$10,000 |
| Platinum Present \#1285 | Stripes <br> №. 2265 | Mission | \$10,000 |
| \$500,000,000 <br> Blockbuster \#1114 | Mainland Texaco | Texas City | \$10,000 |
| \$500,000,000 <br> Blockbuster \#1114 | HEB Food Store \#108 | San Antonio | \$10,000 |
| Platinum Present \#1285 | Murphy USA \#7121 | Pampa | \$10,000 |
| \$500,000,000 <br> Blockbuster \#1114 | Dallas <br> Food Mart | Bellmead | \$10,000 |



| Draw Date | Retailer | Location | Bonus |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 11/11/10 | Kroger \#331 GP | Houston | \$5,000 |
| 12/13/10 | Kroger \#252 Fuel | Houston | \$10,000 |
| 12/23/10 | Shell C-Store | Port Arthur | \$2,750 |
| 1/3/11 | Quick Stop | Houston | \$2,000 |
| 12/30/10 | L \& J Market | South Houston | \$2,250 |
| 1/6/11 | Tejano Mart\#507 | Laredo | \$2,000 |

Draw Date Retailer
12/4/10 The Express

Location
Houston $\$ 40,000$
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## Retailer BonusCheck Presented to Stripes \#9793

Stripes \#9793 of Brownsville received a check for $\$ 160,000$ for selling a Lotto Texas ${ }^{\circledR}$ ticket worth $\$ 10,961,350$ on October 30, 2010!


[^0]:    This promotion applies to prizes for the Pick 3 base game only and does not increase prizes for the Sum It Up ${ }^{\circledR}$ add-on feature.

