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WEST TEXAS SCRATCH-OFF PLAYER HAPPY TO BE HIT WITH \$1 MILLION BLAST OF CASH

(AUSTIN) – It was a happy Monday for Tiffany Graves of Post as she claimed the first of 40 \$1 million second-tier prizes available in the \$500,000,000 *Extreme Cash Blast* scratch-off game at the Texas Lottery® claim center in Lubbock.

“I was so excited that I nearly fainted in the store,” said Graves. “I’ve only been playing scratch-offs for about a year and my husband says maybe I should quit while I’m ahead, but I’m not so sure!”

Graves said the first thing she plans to do with her winnings is buy a new home in the country.



The winning ticket was purchased at the Nothin Butt Smokes #10 store located at 300 N. Broadway in Post. The retailer is eligible to receive a \$10,000 bonus for selling a scratch-off ticket worth \$1 million or more.

In addition to the remaining \$1 million second-tier prizes, \$500,000,000 *Extreme Cash Blast* offers 10 top prizes of \$2.5 million and more than a million prizes from \$100 to \$500. The odds of winning any prize, including break-even prizes, in \$500,000,000 *Extreme Cash Blast* are 1 in 2.84.

Tonight’s *Mega Millions*® jackpot is an estimated \$120 million. Wednesday’s *Powerball*® jackpot is an estimated \$110 million and the *Lotto Texas*® jackpot is an estimated \$16 million.

About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated more than \$20 billion in revenue for the state and distributed \$38 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed more than \$14 billion to the Foundation School Fund, which supports public

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\$500,000,000 Extreme Cash Blast \$1 million prize claimed/page 2

education in Texas. As authorized by the Texas Legislature, certain Texas Lottery revenues benefit state programs including the Fund for Veterans' Assistance.

Celebrating its 20th anniversary this year, the Texas Lottery provides several entertaining games for lottery players including *Powerball*, *Mega Millions*, *Lotto Texas*, *All or Nothing*[™], *Texas Two Step*[®], *Pick 3*[™], *Daily 4*[™], *Cash Five*[®] and scratch-offs. For more information about the Texas Lottery, please visit us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) or at our website, www.txlottery.org.

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