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## ***Michigan Lottery Recognizes Problem Gambling Awareness Month in March***

**LANSING, Mich., March 1, 2024** – March is Problem Gambling Awareness month and the Michigan Lottery has joined the National Council on Problem Gambling (NCPG) to help increase public awareness of problem gambling and highlight the availability of prevention, treatment, and recovery services in the state of Michigan.

As Problem Gambling Awareness Month begins, the Lottery reminds players that the Michigan Problem Gambling Helpline is available to provide free, one-on-one support for players who may have a problem. For confidential help 24 hours-a-day, seven days-a-week, players may call 800-270-7117. Chat and text options also are available and are listed at [www.michiganlottery.com](http://www.michiganlottery.com).

Each year, the Lottery provides \$1 million to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services to fund statewide education and treatment programs for problem gambling. Additionally, the Lottery's online services include enhanced responsible gaming resources including:

- A variety of self-exclusion periods
- Daily and weekly deposit Limits
- Daily Loss Limits
- A variety of cool off periods
- Age verification at account registration
- Play history to monitor gaming activity

You may learn more about the warning signs of problem gaming <https://news.michiganlottery.com/RG>.

Since its inception in 1972, the Lottery has been committed to promoting responsible gaming to players across the state. In 2015, the Michigan Lottery became the first lottery in the United States to receive Internet Compliance Assessment Program (iCAP) certification from the NCPG for its commitment to responsible online gaming. Michigan Lottery has also received the Responsible Gaming Verification (RG Verification) certification from the North American Association of State and Provincial Lotteries and the NCPG. Select the following links to learn more about the [iCAP program](#) or [RG Verification Program](#).

*About 97 cents of every dollar spent on Lottery tickets is returned to the state in the form of contributions to the state School Aid Fund, prizes to players, and commissions to vendors and retailers. Preliminary results show in the 2023 fiscal year, the Lottery provided more than \$1.3 billion for Michigan's public schools, its fifth contribution of more than \$1 billion. Since it began in 1972, the Lottery has contributed more than \$28 billion to support public education in Michigan. For additional information, follow the Michigan Lottery on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and online at [www.michiganlottery.com](http://www.michiganlottery.com).*



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