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## Self-Proclaimed "Crazy Cat Lady" from Monument and Lucky Visitor from England Split \$25 million Colorado Lotto+ Jackpot

(Pueblo, Colo) - Yesterday, self-proclaimed "Crazy Cat Lady," Doreen M., claimed her half of the \$25 million Colorado Lotto+ Jackpot prize from Wednesday's drawing at the Pueblo claims office. Charlotte F. from Crowborough, England, who purchased her ticket at Winners Corner LLC in Pueblo using the Jackpocket mobile app, claimed her prize in Fort Collins the same day. The \$25 million Colorado Lotto+ was the second largest in Colorado's history.

An avid knitter and weaver, Doreen purchased her winning ticket at Safeway Fuel Mini C in Monument on Wednesday. After consulting her accountant, Doreen decided to use her first two lump payments to pay off her mortgage and bills and then do some much deserved traveling to knitting conventions across the country.

Doreen said that after purchasing her ticket, she checked her ticket numbers on the Lottery website and thought, "you have got to be 'kitten' me." She immediately called her sister with the news, telling her "You'd better sit down for this."

Charlotte chose not to share her story but will travel back to England as a wealthy woman.

"Colorado Lotto+ is made, played and paid in Colorado," said Tom Seaver, director of the Colorado Lottery. "Even Coloradans who don't play win when there is a large jackpot, as it generates revenue that goes to enhance Colorado's outdoor open spaces, recreational infrastructure and schools."

When asked what she did when she found out she won, Doreen said at first she was happy that she was a \$6 winner, or so she thought. Once she entered the second line of numbers and showed up as a Jackpot winner, she was shocked.

Doreen chose the annuity option that pays out \$12.5 million over 25 graduated annual payments.

## **About Colorado Lottery**

Since 1983, the Colorado Lottery has returned more than \$3.7 billion to outdoor projects



through Great Outdoors Colorado, the Conservation Trust Fund, and Colorado Parks and Wildlife; and to schools through Building Excellent Schools Today. Proceeds from sales of Colorado Lottery games - Scratch, Powerball, Mega Millions, Colorado Lotto+, Lucky for Life, Cash 5, and Pick 3 - enhance, protect, and improve parks, trails, and open space in Colorado. For more information, visit coloradolottery.com

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