Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Agency

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TO: Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Commission
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FROM: Paula Yocum, Managing Director, CFO

DATE: October 8, 2026

SUBJECT: Report for the October Commission Meeting

This is a status update of ongoing and special projects in Accounting.

I. BUDGET

- **FISCAL YEAR 2026 Final Expenditures (including accruals and encumbrances)**

Program	Expenditures
Lottery	$108,815,391
VLT General Fund	8,996,346
VLT Special Fund	13,518,265
Sports Wagering and Fantasy Gaming	3,325,660
Total	**$134,655,662**

- **FISCAL YEAR 2027 Appropriation**

Program	Appropriation	Budget Amendments	Revised Appropriation
Lottery	$107,336,098	$161,775	$107,497,873
VLT General Fund	$10,050,126		$10,050,126
VLT Special Fund	$13,638,893		$13,638,893
Sports Wagering and Fantasy Gaming	$4,080,762		$4,080,762
Total	**$135,105,879**	**$161,775**	**$135,267,654**

- **FISCAL YEAR 2028 Budget Request**

The Agency has submitted the Fiscal Year 2028 budget request to the Department of Budget Management – Office of Budget Analysis for review.

II. ACCOUNTING/FINANCE

- **Promotion Fund (Unclaimed Prizes)**

○ Beginning Balance as of August 31, 2026	$10,606,896
○ Estimated increase in September, 2026	$2
○ Estimated usage in September, 2026	($2,798,628
○ Estimated Ending Balance as of September 30, 2026	$9,868,672

III. FANTASY COMPETITION

- Fantasy Competition Operator quarterly tax forms and tax revenue for the quarters ending:

QUARTER ENDING	AMOUNT COLLECTED FOR QUARTER
September 30, 2026	*$138,410.44* *(Due date is October 15th, amount is received to date)*
December 31, 2026	*Not available yet*
March 31, 2027	*Not available yet*
June 30, 2027	*Not available yet*
FY 2027 Total	*$138,410.44*

IV. CUSTOMER RESOURCE CENTER

- **Claims:** Customers continue to make appointments to claim prizes using the scheduling page on mdlottery.com. Lottery winners without internet access can schedule appointments by phone. All Lottery retailers are authorized to cash winning tickets up to $600; Expanded Cashing Authority (XCAP) retailers can cash tickets up to $5,000; Winning tickets up to $25,000 can be cashed without appointments at all Maryland casinos.

  Data concerning the number of and amount of winners' claims processed by the Lottery, the casinos, and XCAP retailers are noted below:

CLAIMS PROCESSSED BY LOTTERY AND CASINOS – September, 2026

LOCATION	COUNT	AMOUNT	YTD COUNT	YTD AMOUNT
Baltimore - HQ	725	$7,156,388	2,233	$23,940,302
Casinos	138	$1,761,152	380	$4,749,414

XCAP PROCESSING – September, 2026

COUNT	AMOUNT	YTD COUNT	YTD AMOUNT
7,519	$13,363,331	22,785	$39,857,234

- **Subscriptions:** The Lottery's Customer Resource Center is also responsible for processing subscriptions. Multi-Match®, Powerball®, and Mega Millions® subscriptions can be purchased for 13, 26, or 52 weeks

  Data concerning subscriptions is noted below:

  SUBSCRIPTIONS – September, 2026

GAME	NUMBER PROCESSED FOR THE MONTH	NUMBER OF ACTIVE
Multi-Match®	185	1,213
Mega Millions®	135	918
Powerball®	249	1,738
TOTAL	**569**	**3,869**

- **Prize Interceptions:** The Lottery is required by statute to withhold any Child Support or Central Collections Unit (CCU) debts that winners of prizes over $600 owe.

  Data concerning prize interceptions is noted below:

  PRIZE INTERCEPTIONS – September, 2026

TYPE	INTERCEPTED THIS MONTH	INTERCEPTED FYTD 2026
Child Support	$68,815	$80,536
Central Collections Unit	$121,444	$331,807

V. SPECIAL PROJECTS

- There are no special projects at this time.