

Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation
Inspiration Lottery
Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How does the 50/50 *Inspiration Lottery* work?

A: Administered by Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation and licensed by the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario, the 50/50 lottery is a game wherein individuals purchase tickets for the opportunity to win 50 per cent of the total money raised through the sale of 50/50 tickets.

Q: Where does the rest of the money raised go?

A: Net proceeds support the highest-priority needs of Hamilton Health Sciences, including Hamilton General Hospital, Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre, McMaster Children's Hospital, St. Peter's Hospital and all of their associated programs. To learn more about Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation, please visit hamiltonhealth.ca.

Q: When do sales close?

A: Lottery ticket sales close at 11:59 p.m. on Wednesday, September 1, 2021.

Q: What payment methods are accepted?

A: When buying tickets online, MasterCard, Visa, American Express and Visa debit cards will be accepted. Regrettably, we do not accept, cheques, money orders, nor bank and/or electronic transfers.

Q: Where's my ticket?

A: Purchased tickets are delivered to the e-mail address supplied at time of purchase. Please allow 12 hours for the e-mail to be sent, as servers may sometimes be slow. Please remember to check your spam and junk folders, as some e-mail services may incorrectly flag your incoming tickets. If you have not received your tickets after 12 hours, please e-mail inspirationlottery@hhsc.ca.

Q: How does the early-bird prize work?

A: By purchasing a ticket before the early-bird draw dates (see early-bird draw dates below), you will be entered into the early-bird draws. The winning number for the early-bird prizes can still win the grand prize.

Q: What is the early-bird prize?

A: The early-bird prize is \$1,000. There are two early bird prizes for this Inspiration Lottery.

Q: When are the early-bird prize draws?

A: The winning number for the first early-bird prize will be drawn on Thursday, August 19, 2021 at noon. The deadline to purchase tickets for the first early-bird draw is 11 a.m. on Thursday, August 19, 2021. The winning number for the second early-bird prize will be drawn on Thursday, August 26, 2021 at noon. The deadline to purchase tickets for the second early-bird draw is 11 a.m. on Thursday, August 26, 2021.

Q: Where can I buy tickets?

A: Tickets are only available online at inspirationlottery.ca.

Q: Can I buy more than one ticket?

A: Yes, you can purchase more than one ticket and you will receive separate tickets. For instance, if you wish to support Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation with \$50, you can buy 80 tickets for \$40 and another 5 tickets for \$10.

Q: When is the grand-prize draw?

A: The winning number for the grand prize will be drawn on Thursday, September 2, 2021 at noon. The deadline to purchase tickets is 11:59 p.m. on Wednesday, September 1, 2021.

Q: When and where will the winning number be announced?

A: Any winning numbers (for the early-bird prizes or the grand prize) will be posted on inspirationlottery.ca immediately following the respective draw.

Q: Do I need my ticket to claim the prize?

A: You will have a digital ticket in your e-mail that you must present to claim the prize.

Q: Am I notified if I win?

A: We will attempt to contact you should your ticket purchase(s) be associated with any winning number(s).

Q: Is the purchase of a raffle ticket tax deductible?

A: The Canada Revenue Agency guidelines state that we are not able to issue tax receipts for the purchase of raffle tickets, since purchasing a ticket gives the purchaser the opportunity to win a prize.

Q: I have more questions. Who can I contact?

A: Please e-mail inspirationlottery@hhsc.ca with any further questions.