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LOTTERY WINNER SPREADS HOLIDAY CHEER

As many people get caught up in the last minute frenzy of holiday shopping, one lucky North Dakota Lottery player chose instead to give her prize money to a friend in need.

The player who won the \$5,000 Wild Card 2 prize on Saturday, December 15, has chosen to give most of the \$5,000 cash prize to a friend who is struggling to pay medical bills from a recent illness. The financial burden has left the player's friend with little money for Christmas presents. The player, who wishes to remain anonymous, said "My husband and I are fortunate enough – we are good. We do not need the money."

So the player's good fortune came at an especially good time, giving her a chance to send a little Christmas cheer to a friend.

During the past week, Lady Luck has made the season brighter for several winning North Dakota Lottery players: a \$50,000 winning Powerball with Power Play (5X) prize; Two - \$20,000 2by2 Jackpot prizes; and a \$5,000 Wild Card 2 Prize.

For more information on the Lottery's winners visit the website at www.lottery.nd.gov.

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