

A quick message from the Director of Charitable Bingo to those licensed organizations with occasions in Dallas County

The Texas Lottery Commission Charitable Bingo Operations Division received notification from a conductor that Dallas County sent them a letter requesting that conductors in Dallas County remit all of the prize fees collected during bingo occasions to Dallas County. In their letter to conductors, it appears that Dallas County misstated the requirements for remitting the state's share of prize fees collected directly to the state.

In accordance with HB 914, all conductors are to remit the state's portion of the prize fees collected directly to the state. In the case of those conductors holding occasions in Dallas County, remit 50% of prize fees collected to the state.

The remaining prize fees collected in Dallas County should be allocated between the county, the municipality and/or retained by the conductor (charity) as appropriate.

Any issues concerning the payment of prize fees to local governments will need to be coordinated through those entities. We suggest seeking independent legal advice if you have any questions concerning the allocation of prize fees.

If you have questions, please contact us via e-mail at bingo.services@lottery.state.tx.us or by phone at 800-BINGO-77 (800-246-4677) and follow the prompts.