# TIMELINE OF EVENTS: SEPTEMBER 11th TIMELINE



#### SEPTEMBER 11th 2001

## 8:46 а.м.

American Airlines Flight 11, hijacked by Al Qaeda terrorists, is deliberately flown into the North Tower of the World Trade Center, striking the 94 – 98th floors. First responders arrive immediately. 14,000 people begin to evacuate the towers.

## 9:03 а.м.

Hijacked United Airlines Flight 175 is deliberately flown into the South Tower, striking the 78 – 84<sup>th</sup> floors.

## 9:37 а.м.

Hijacked American Airlines Flight 77 is deliberately flown into the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. killing 184 victims.\*

#### 9:59 A.M.

In about 10 seconds, 110 stories of the South Tower (2 WTC) collapse on top of each other, generating a giant dust cloud.

## 10:03 а.м.

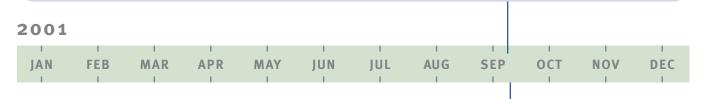
A fourth hijacked plane, United Airlines Flight 93, crashes near Shanksville, PA. 40 victims die in the crash.\*

## 10:28 а.м.

110 stories of the North Tower (1 WTC) collapse on top of each other in about 10 seconds, generating a second giant dust cloud. 2,749 people die at the WTC.\* The victims include 343 FDNY firefighters, 23 NYPD police officers and 37 Port Authority police.

#### 11:02 а.м.

An order is issued to evacuate Lower Manhattan.



\*number of dead does not include terrorists as victims

## SEPTEMBER 12, 2001

The last survivor is rescued. The sixteen-acre site is covered in burning debris that stands as high as 70 feet. Pockets of fires burn for almost six months. Schools, businesses and residents are relocated for months. Volunteers from across the nation and the world assist in the recovery. Unprecedented generosity is experienced as volunteers, money and supplies begin to arrive.



# TIMELINE OF EVENTS: HISTORIC REFERENCES



# SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

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## 1973

The Port Authority of NY & NJ opens the World Trade Center. The seven building complex, begun in the 1960s, includes the Twin Towers and a hub for transportation.

# OCTOBER 7, 2001

The United States begins bombing Al Qaeda terrorist training camps and military installations of the Taliban regime in Afghanistan.

## MAY 30, 2002

The recovery period at the WTC site officially ends.

## SEPTEMBER 2002

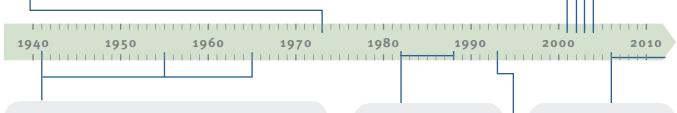
The reconstruction of the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. is complete.

## FEBRUARY 2003

The master plan for the rebuilding of the WTC site is complete.

## **JULY 2004**

Family members of victims lobby Congress for a full investigation. The 9/11 Commission investigates the events leading up to 9/11, that day, and the response. It also provides recommendations for the future.



## 1941

The Japanese attack the United States Naval Base at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii. Japanese Americans are forced to leave their homes, schools, and businesses and relocate to "camps" authorized by the U.S. government.

#### 1955

10 years after an atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima during World War II, an antinuclear movement begins to develop in Japan.

## 1965

The Immigration and Nationality Act of 1965 abolishes the national origin quotas from 1924, and results in the doubling of non-European immigration to the United States from 1965-1970 and again between 1970-1990.

## 1979-1988

The Soviet Union invades Afghanistan. The *mujahideen*, (a loosely allied group of local opposition parties and foreign fighters) are victorious in defeating the Soviets. The *mujahideen* consolidate their power, with some elements becoming the Taliban.

## FEBRUARY 26, 1993

A truck bomb is detonated in the garage beneath the World Trade Center by an Islamic extremist group. It takes several hours to evacuate the buildings. Six people are killed and thousands are injured.

### SEPTEMBER 2006

Tribute WTC Visitor Center opens to the public. 400,000 people visit a year.

## **MAY 2006**

7 WTC, the first of the new World Trade Center buildings, opens.

## **AUGUST 2006**

Construction begins for the National September 11 Memorial & Museum at the World Trade Center

