

American Water and City of Camden Pay Tribute to 9/11 Victims and First Responders on 25th Anniversary

CAMDEN, N.J., Sept. 11, 2026 /PRNewswire/ -- [American Water](#) (NYSE: AWK), the largest regulated water and wastewater utility company in the U.S., and the City of Camden pay tribute to the victims and first responders of the attacks on September 11, 2001.

"On the 25th anniversary of September 11, American Water joins the Camden community in our sixth-year lining RCA Pier Park with 2,977 flags, one in honor of each life lost," said **John Griffith, President and CEO of American Water**. "As we reflect on the significance of this day, we also express our gratitude to the first responders whose bravery, sacrifice and dedication to protecting others, then and now, continue to serve and safeguard our communities every day, reflecting the very best of public service."

Events included a brief ceremonial program featuring a wreath dedication, a moment of silence, siren salute, and additional commemorative activities. The program concluded with American Water and City of Camden employee volunteers, along with first responders, installing 2,977 American flags, representing each life lost, at RCA Pier Park, located adjacent to the American Water headquarters in Camden, N.J.

"The City of Camden and its partners take great pride in joining with communities across the nation on this solemn day of remembrance for those lost on September 11, 2001," said **Camden Mayor Victor G. Carstarphen**. "It's hard to believe that twenty-five years have passed since the tragic events of 9/11. As I look back, I can still vividly recall memories and how this difficult moment tested our nation's resolve. The tragedy ultimately united us as Americans. I feel it's important that we reflect on the attacks, the recovery efforts, and on the years of military actions which followed. We must never forget that despite the tragedy, our nation managed to mend and make it through these tough times together. That will always be a lasting legacy and inspirational message."

The flag memorial serves as a moment of reflection and remembrance in honor of the lives lost, survivors, their families and first responders. The flags will remain on display for approximately one week, after which they will be donated to Camden County Veteran Affairs for use during Veterans Day in November and other commemorative events throughout the year.

"The 2,977 flags displayed at RCA Pier Park are a powerful tribute to the lives lost on September 11 and a reminder of the courage and sacrifice shown by first responders, service members and countless Americans in the days and years that followed," said **Colleen Bianco Bezich, Camden County Commissioner, Liaison to the Office of Veteran Affairs**. "We are honored to preserve these flags and give them renewed purpose in our veterans cemeteries, carrying forward the shared values of remembrance, service and unity."

About American Water

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