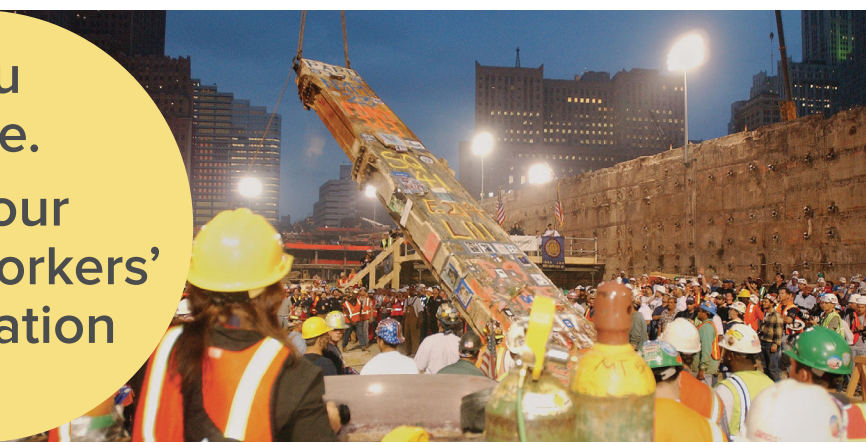


WORLD TRADE CENTER

Tell us you
were there.
Protect your
right to workers'
compensation
benefits.



People who performed rescue, recovery and clean-up at the World Trade Center and other designated sites after the terror attacks of 9/11 are eligible for workers' compensation benefits (medical care and lost wages) if they were injured or became ill as a result of that duty. The benefits available to World Trade Center workers and volunteers depend on their employer or role in rescue, recovery and clean-up operations.

Preserve Your Workers' Compensation Rights

Paid workers and volunteers who participated in the rescue, recovery and clean-up of the World Trade Center (WTC) should file a **Registration of Participation in World Trade Center Rescue, Recovery and/or Clean-Up Operations (Form WTC-12)** with the New York State Workers' Compensation Board. Registering your service preserves your right to future workers' compensation benefits, should you ever need them, if you become ill as a result of your service at the World Trade Center and associated areas. Note: You do not have to be presently ill to register.

Eligibility

ELIGIBLE SERVICE	A paid worker or volunteer who performed rescue, recovery or clean-up. Eligible workers were employed by entities that participate in the NYS workers' compensation system.	
LOCATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• World Trade Center site• Fresh Kills Landfill, Staten Island• New York City morgue	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Temporary morgues on the piers on the west side of Manhattan• Barges between the west side of Manhattan and Fresh Kills
DATES OF SERVICE	September 11, 2001, through September 12, 2002.	

How to Register Your Service

1. Print and complete the *Form WTC-12*, located here: wcb.ny.gov/content/main/forms/wtc-12.pdf
2. Have your signature on the form notarized.
3. Deliver the original, notarized form to a Board office or send it by U.S. mail to: **NYS Workers' Compensation Board
P.O. Box 5205
Binghamton, NY 13902-5205**

The Board must receive your original Form WTC-12 by September 11, 2022. A postmark by that date is not sufficient, and email or fax submissions are not accepted. The Board will acknowledge receipt of your *Form WTC-12*. To check if you've already registered, call 1-877-632-4996.

This is **not** the *World Trade Center (WTC) Health Registry*, which tracks the health of those exposed to WTC toxins. If you are in the *WTC Health Registry*, the *WTC Health Program* or the *September 11th Victim Compensation Fund (VCF)*, you still need to register your service with the New York State Workers' Compensation Board to preserve your rights to future benefits.

NYS Workers' Compensation Benefits

Employees of entities covered by the New York State workers' compensation system can file a claim for lost wages and medical care arising out of their rescue, recovery and clean-up duty at the World Trade Center and associated areas. Visit wcb.ny.gov/wtc-12 for filing information.

World Trade Center Volunteer Fund Benefits

The *WTC Volunteer Fund* was established in 2002 to provide benefits to volunteers who incurred lost wages and/or health problems due to their World Trade Center rescue, recovery and clean-up efforts. The *WTC Volunteer Fund* is administered by the Workers' Compensation Board and is now funded by the State of New York.



MORE RESOURCES

There is also help for people who are outside the NYS workers' compensation system or were not at work but whose health or economic well-being suffered from the World Trade Center attacks. Workers and volunteers who receive NYS workers' compensation are also eligible. **Note: Separate registration for each is required.**

World Trade Center Health Program

The *WTC Health Program* was established by the federal *James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act* to provide health care services at no cost to World Trade Center workers, responders and survivors for WTC-related health conditions. This includes employees receiving workers' compensation benefits or volunteers receiving benefits as a result of injuries or illness incurred, as well as those who did not perform rescue, recovery or clean-up but who were injured or made ill.

For information on healthcare providers and treatment locations, please see:

- cdc.gov/wtc
- cdc.gov/niosh/topics/wtc
- (888) WTC-HP4U ((888) 982-4748)

September 11th Victim Compensation Fund

The *September 11th Victim Compensation Fund* is a federal program that compensates individuals who suffered physical harm or family members of anyone who was killed as a result of the September 11, 2001, terror attacks. This includes people who participated in World Trade Center rescue, recovery, and clean-up efforts, as well as those who lived, worked, or otherwise spent time in the *NYC Exposure Zone* from September 11, 2001, through May 30, 2002.

You may submit claims to the *September 11th Victim Compensation Fund* until December 18, 2020.

For more information, please visit vcf.gov, or call the VCF help line at (855) 885-1555.

Visit: wcb.ny.gov/WTC/wtc-assistance.jsp
Call: (877) 632-4996



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