



## Timeline of Tragedy September 11, 2001

**8:46 a.m.**  
Five hijackers crash American Airlines Flight 11 into the World Trade Center North Tower, killing all 76 passengers and 11 crew members, and killing and trapping hundreds more inside the building.

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**9:37 a.m.**  
Five hijackers crash American Airlines Flight 77 into the Pentagon, killing all 53 passengers and six crew members, and killing 125 more people on the ground.

**9:03 a.m.**  
Five hijackers crash United Airlines Flight 175 into the World Trade Center South Tower, killing all 51 passengers and nine crew members, and killing and

The World Trade Center South Tower collapses, killing more than 800 people in the building and surrounding area.

**10:03 a.m.**  
Four hijackers crash United Airlines Flight 93 in a field in Pennsylvania after crew and passengers storm the cockpit, killing all 33 passengers and seven crew members.

**10:28 a.m.**  
The World Trade Center North Tower collapses, killing more than 1600 people in the building and surrounding area.

## 9/11 Day of Service & Remembrance

9/11 Day was created in 2002 as a nonprofit organization with the support of the 9/11 community and a mission to "rekindle the extraordinary spirit of togetherness and compassion that arose in the immediate aftermath of the 9/11 tragedy, and to inspire Americans and others to do good deeds that help to create a better and more peaceful world."

On the 20th anniversary of the September 11th attacks, the organization hopes to inspire people in the U.S. and around the world to perform 100 million good deeds "in remembrance and tribute." To learn more or join the effort, visit 911day.org.

**Nearly 3,000 people were killed on September 11, 2001.** It was the single largest loss of life resulting from a foreign attack on American soil.

Source: 9/11 Museum & Memorial

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# Wisconsin hemp program transitioning to USDA in 2022

The Wisconsin hemp program, currently administered by the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP), will transition to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) starting January 1, 2022.

"Since the inception of Wisconsin's hemp program, DATCP has been committed to working collaboratively with the industry to establish a program for Wisconsin growers," said Randy Romanski, DATCP Secretary-designee. "Through continued outreach with industry stakeholders and USDA, DATCP's plan is to transition the program from a state-run program to a federal-run program. We believe this transition will provide hemp growers with the greatest opportunity to produce hemp in Wisconsin."

States and tribal nations have the ability to transition their hemp program to USDA. Currently, three other states - Hawaii, Mississippi, and New Hampshire (North Carolina recently announced) - and multiple tribal nations have federal-run hemp programs. Many producers already work with their local USDA Farm Service Agency office to report their crops, so this transition aligns with processes already occurring.

Other benefits of a federal-run program include no licensing fees, the federal license is three years instead of annual, and it provides some flexibility utilizing private sampling and testing services. A federal-run hemp program also streamlines program rule changes, as growers will need to comply with just the federal program rules. To date, DATCP has had to promulgate emergency rule changes, update program operations, and conduct outreach to growers when a federal rule change was made.

"Because state-run hemp programs must also meet federal requirements, Wisconsin's hemp program is already in close alignment with USDA," said Sara Walling, DATCP's Division of Agriculture Resource Man-

agement Administrator. "We are collaborating with USDA for a smooth transition and providing hemp growers with the resources they need to understand any changes."

DATCP and USDA will hold a joint webinar from 1-3 p.m. on September 15 for growers to learn how to locate and work with their local USDA office and how to apply for a USDA hemp license. Growers can register in advance with USDA for the webinar. The link to register is also available on DATCP's website, as will be the recording of the webinar. A transition checklist for growers is also available.

"The state did a commendable task in creating and helping a hemp program thrive in Wisconsin for the first four growing seasons," said Rob Richard, Wisconsin Hemp Alliance President. "We learned a tremendous amount of information about the plant in that time. Now that USDA has finalized their hemp rule and we're seeing signs of federal financial resources in hemp research and development, this is absolutely the right time to shift course from a state-centric focused program to a federal program."

Gov. Tony Evers' 2021-2023 budget proposal provided ongoing staffing resources to support the hemp program, but those resources were not included in the final version of the budget passed by the legislature. Growers will continue to work with DATCP for the current growing season for harvest notifications, sample collection, and testing until December 31, 2021. Starting January 1, 2022, hemp growers will transition to the federal-run program, but hemp processors will no longer need a DATCP license to process hemp. Hemp processors will remain under DATCP's current authority for consumer and food products.

DATCP will post hemp program updates at <https://hemp.wi.gov> as more details about the transition become available.

# Consumer Alert: DATCP sees rise in unemployment insurance scam reports

If you receive a text message regarding unemployment insurance, be cautious about clicking on any links. The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) has received reports of a phishing text where imposters pretend to be from the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) or a similar agency.

These alarming texts claim that there is a problem with your account and that your benefits will be discontinued if you do not click on the link to update your account ID and password. However, they are imposters trying to get your personally identifiable information to steal your identity and your money. Delete these texts, and do not click on any links.

How to tell if a text message from DWD is official:

- Official text messages from DWD link to my.unemployment.wisconsin.gov
- DWD does not send text messages to claimants to notify them that their profile or claim will be deactivated.
- DWD does not send group text messages.
- Any official text messages from DWD notify the claimant to log on to their Claimant Portal at

my.unemployment.wisconsin.gov to view any message securely.

- Do NOT click on links, enter your user information, or provide any information to suspicious websites or spoofed messages.

If you have questions about the legitimacy of a text you received, DWD provides updates online about current scam reports at [dwd.wisconsin.gov/ui/fraud/scams.htm](http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/ui/fraud/scams.htm).

If you have questions about the status of your unemployment insurance or question the authenticity of a text, letter, phone call, or email you receive that claims to be from a government agency, contact that agency directly to inquire. Always contact the agency using a website, phone number, or email address that you know to be accurate - never use the contact information provided by the questionable communication.

If you have been the victim of a scam, report it by filing a complaint online at [datcp.wi.gov/pages/programs\\_services/fileconsumercomplaint.aspx](http://datcp.wi.gov/pages/programs_services/fileconsumercomplaint.aspx), or send an email to [datcp@wisconsin.gov](mailto:datcp@wisconsin.gov), or call DATCP's Consumer Protection Hotline at 1-800-422-7128.

# Herb Kohl Foundation scholarship applications available

Online applications for the 2022 Herb Kohl Educational Foundation Excellence Scholarship can now be submitted at [www.kohleducation.org](http://www.kohleducation.org). A total of 100 students will be selected to receive \$10,000 scholarships from among all applicants throughout the state.

Applicants must be residents of Wisconsin who will graduate from high school in 2022, and plan to continue their education at a college, university, or vocational/technical school. Students will be evaluated on academic achievement, leadership, citizenship, and school and community activities. Completed online applications are due on November 16, 2021 at 5 p.m. central time. Students should go to <http://www.kohleducation.org/studentexcellence/> to learn more and apply.

Selection of recipients will be made by a state-level

panel composed of representatives from the Wisconsin Newspaper Association Foundation, Cooperative Educational Service Agencies, Wisconsin Homeschool Parents Association, several education-related associations, and community representatives. Since the program was established in 1990, the Herb Kohl Foundation has awarded 3,200 Excellence scholarships to graduating high school students throughout the state for a total of \$8.45 million.

The Herb Kohl Educational Foundation Excellence Scholarship program is co-sponsored by the Wisconsin Newspaper Association Foundation, the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, the Wisconsin Homeschool Parents Association, and Cooperative Educational Service Agencies.

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