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Hear about WTC Attacks from Eyewitness at Ocean County Library Manchester Branch

MANCHESTER – A first responder who was on duty at the World Trade Center when it came under attack in 1993 and again in 2001 will share his recollections of the tragedies and the gradual restoration of hope, 7 PM Wednesday, September 20, at the Ocean County Library Manchester Branch.

Moises I. Gomez was a member of an emergency response unit of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey that responded to both episodes. Terrorists failed to topple the twin towers with a truck bomb on February 26, 1993, but succeeded on September 11, 2001 with hijacked airliners flown into the structures.

On the day forever branded as "9/11," Gomez remained at the center of the disaster from its onset through the end of cleanup and recovery.

He will speak of his experiences as he answered the call to action, the horrors that unfolded before his eyes, and the American voluntarism that played a critical role in rescues, recovery, and restoration.

Please register at <u>www.theoceancountylibrary.org/events</u> for this free program, sponsored by Friends of the Manchester Branch Library.

The Friends are volunteers who support the Library through programs and fundraisers. New members are welcome. Applications are available at the OCL Manchester Branch, 21 Colonial Drive, (732) 657-7600, or at www.theoceancountylibrary.org/oclfriends.

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