

Sarasota and Manatee Counties remember 9/11 at USF

SARASOTA & MANATEE- First responders, students, veterans' groups, and members of the community gathered in USF Sarasota-Manatee's courtyard for an inaugural 9/11 remembrance ceremony Tuesday morning.



America was a nation struck by chaos and grief.

"It was a monumental event in our history and I think we are still absorbing what it means," said David Kotok, 9/11 survivor.

17 years later, it's a time to come together as a community. Beginning with 2,977 flags planted in the university's courtyard to honor each victim.

"The patriotism and resiliency of the American people shine brightly on the 11th of September 2001," said Veterans Service

Administrator for USF-SM, Carlos Moreira .

The ceremony recognized our first responders.

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