The Citadel Foundation raises scholarship funds that enable The Citadel to attract top students and prepare them for a lifetime of leadership. Through money donated by alumni, parents and friends, the college is able to provide more than $2 million in scholarships annually to more than 500 cadets. And through their gifts to The Citadel Foundation, donors are helping educate some of the brightest young engineering minds, who, like these young grads, are building a bridge into the future.

All of The Citadel engineers working on the Cooper River bridge project received some form of Citadel Foundation scholarship money. Tom Messervy was a Citadel Scholar, receiving a four-year scholarship for academic distinction, while Russ Touchberry received The Citadel Foundation’s Leadership Scholarship and a Brigadier Foundation track scholarship.

Col. Dennis Fallon, dean of The Citadel School of Engineering, is not surprised by the role these graduates are playing in what will soon become a Charleston landmark.

“The faculty of the civil and environmental engineering department does an excellent job in providing Citadel graduates the groundwork to take on the professional responsibilities required to design and construct structures like the Cooper River bridge,” Fallon says. “But this groundwork could not be provided if it were not for the support of The Citadel Foundation. The Citadel Foundation not only provides for scholarships to help these bright young people attend college, it also provides much of the funds to keep the department technologically abreast with the latest laboratory and computer equipment.”

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