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ASSOCIATED CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTORS of NEW JERSEY ACCNJ Awards \$75,000 in Scholarships

EDISON, NJ - On June 11, 2024, ACCNJ awarded six deserving students with scholarships to continue their education. Recipients are the children or grandchildren of ACCNJ member employees, with the John F. Donohoe recipient being a college sophomore or junior enrolled in an accredited Civil Engineering program. They have spent considerable time forging unique paths for themselves and are truly deserving of scholarships that will help them continue on the road to success. ACCNJ is presenting a total of \$75,000 in scholarships this year.

Since 2014, ACCNJ has granted more than \$800,000 in scholarships. This year, five of the recipients were awarded scholarships from the ACCNJ Scholarship Foundation. One award was named in honor and memory of a respected industry leader, Donald R. Waters Sr., who volunteered countless hours to the Association and the construction industry.

The recipients of ACCNJ Foundation Scholarships are as follows:

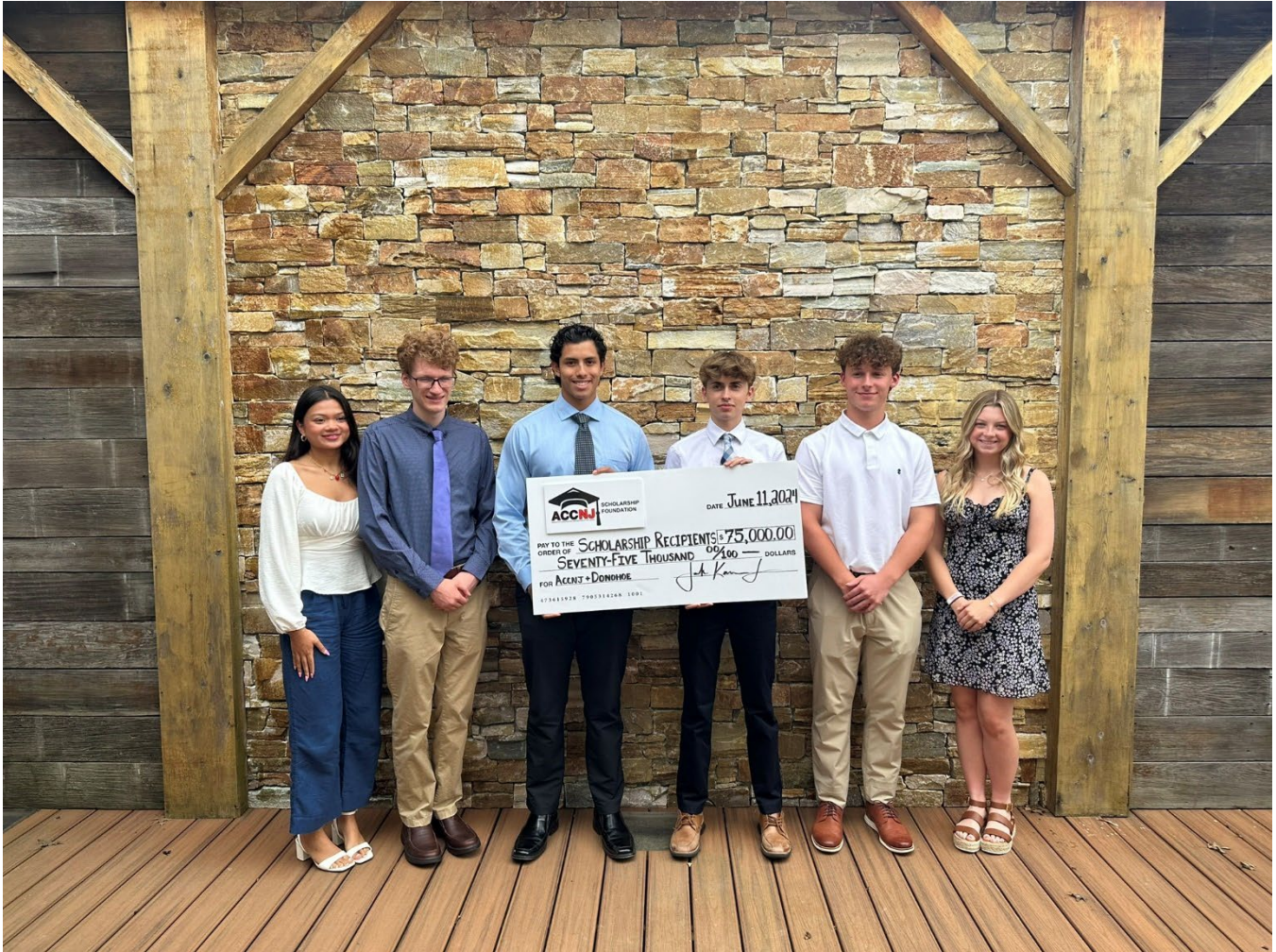
- Will Petrie, a graduate of Lenape Valley Regional High School, received the Donald R. Waters Sr. Memorial Scholarship and will attend the University of King's College majoring in English.
- Matthew Barlow, a graduate of New Providence High School, will attend the University of Florida majoring in Civil Engineering.
- MaryGrace Craffey, a graduate of Park Ridge High School, will attend Clemson University majoring in Chemistry.
- Isabella Pope, a graduate of Delaware Valley High School, will attend Stevens Institute of Technology majoring in Civil Engineering.
- Connor Schmit, a graduate of Seton Hall Preparatory School, will attend Loyola Marymount University majoring in Biological Science.

The John F. Donohoe Scholarship, also named in honor and memory of a renowned industry leader, was established to encourage students currently enrolled in a civil engineering program who seek careers in heavy construction contracting. This year, the recipient is Daniel Olaya from Rowan University.

We are so proud of these exceptional scholars and cannot wait to see what they achieve in the future. Congratulations to all the students and their families - we wish them the best of luck!

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Pictured from left to right: Isabella Pope, Will Petrie, Daniel Olaya, Connor Schmit, Matthew Barlow, and MaryGrace Craffey.

**Individual headshots available upon request.*

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