



Let's Play! A benefit concert for Inclusion Honorary Event Chair, Aaron Taylor.

A former member of the University of Notre Dame football team, the Green Bay Packers and San Diego Chargers, Aaron created The Aaron Taylor IMPACT Fund in 2005 with an aim to "connect the needs of those that cry out to the hearts of those willing to listen."

Growing up in a household that encouraged and supported helping others, it is no surprise that as an adult, Aaron finds himself immersed in the world of philanthropy. As a teen, Aaron fell victim to some of the temptations that young people often encounter. Through the support of a loving mother and general fortuitousness, Aaron found the structure he needed in the form of organized sports — namely football. A natural talent with a passion for the game, he realized that football was not only a way for him to stay out of trouble, but also a means to accomplish things far greater than gridiron glory.

Aaron enjoyed success as a member of the Notre Dame football team — and it was this excellence that led him to a six-year career in the NFL. Aaron would later win Super Bowl XXXI as member of the 1997 Green Bay Packers, but injuries rendered him unable to continue in the NFL.

After leaving professional football, Aaron earned a post-graduate degree in Elementary Education. Torn between two passions, Aaron instead accepted an offer to work on a nationally recognized television show. His search for a way to somehow bring these worlds together ended with The Aaron Taylor IMPACT Fund: the culmination of one man's passion to both enjoy life and make a difference.

In 2001, he participated in a five-month volunteer placement program and taught English to high school students in South America. More recently, Aaron's passion to lend a helping hand led him to the tsunami-ravaged country of Sri Lanka. In the ten weeks following the worst natural disaster in recorded history, Aaron founded a project that built a community center and forty temporary houses for the village of Kosgoda in the southern province.

Recently, Aaron chose to leave a career as an ABC Sports college football analyst to pursue his equally rewarding charitable interests.

A resident of San Diego, Aaron recently won the 10 News Leadership Award for his work in Sri Lanka, mentoring children, and his work with athletes in transition.