



We are dedicated to the emotional healing of neglected, abused and underprivileged children by providing tools and opportunities to build self esteem and encourage a better family unit, giving hope for a brighter future.

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What is the Walter & Connie Payton Foundation?

Our foundation is about helping abused, neglected & underprivileged children in the state of Illinois. We strive to help boost these children's self-esteem and give them a reason to believe that tomorrow can be different. That tomorrow can be better.

"Children have always brought a tremendous amount of joy to me and I feel that if you can catch them at a young age you can really change a life. There are a lot of studies that show that one act of kindness to these children has a 40 percent chance of making that child have a completely different outcome in their life. What you hope is that you can get a kid to believe in something and to believe in themselves."
-Walter Payton

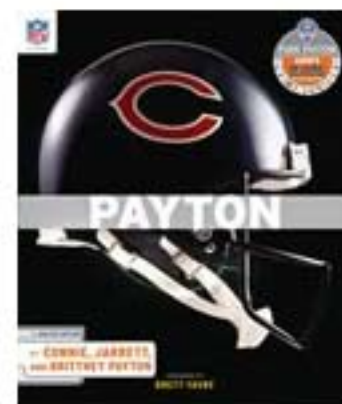
Holiday Giving Program

Our foundation is committed to giving new gifts to as many in-need children as we can each December for the Holiday Season. We work closely with the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) to ensure that the neediest children in the state of Illinois receive these gifts. In 2001 WCPF provided new clothing and toys to approximately 15,000 children. In 2002 and 2003 WCPF provided for approximately 20,000 children.

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