



## LLOYD NICHOLSON

Board Member, The House of Darla

**Entrepreneur | Community Advocate | Business Owner**

Lloyd Nicholson serves on the Board of Directors for The House of Darla, bringing a strong entrepreneurial spirit and deep ties to the Bridgeport community. As the owner of *Bridgeport Store and Restaurant Equipment*, Lloyd has spent decades supporting local businesses, mentoring youth, and advocating for education, safety, and opportunity.

A respected business leader and community voice, Lloyd is known for his hands-on support of local entrepreneurs and his commitment to uplifting underserved neighborhoods. He brings real-world experience in operations, customer service, and business development—insights that help guide The HOD's financial strategies, youth programming, and community outreach efforts.

Lloyd has also been a vocal **advocate for gun safety and violence prevention**, marching and rallying across Connecticut to raise awareness and push for safer communities. He has participated in numerous city-wide and regional efforts—rallying in Bridgeport, Waterbury, Norwalk, Stamford, and New Haven—to help create safer environments for youth and families across urban areas. His activism reflects his belief that true community empowerment must begin with safety, education, and access.

As a board member, Lloyd provides grounded, practical input on program design, community engagement, and economic empowerment. He's passionate about helping youth tap into their potential, develop workforce readiness, and build skills that lead to long-term success.

**Fun Fact:** Lloyd has helped launch and support dozens of small businesses in Bridgeport—and is always ready to offer advice, equipment, or encouragement to the next generation of entrepreneurs.

