



Mesa Commons at San Diego Mesa College.

Gafcon and SDCCD - Building Together

SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Yehudi “Gaf” Gaffen and his wife moved to San Diego shortly after graduating from the University of Cape Town, South Africa with a bachelor of science degree in construction management. In 1987, after several years in San Diego, the Gaffens decided it was time to form their own company, [Gafcon](#).

For the San Diego Community College District (SDCCD), the significance of this decision was profound: Gafcon has been the program manager for the District’s \$1.55 billion [Propositions S and N](#) construction bond project that has transformed City, Mesa and Miramar colleges and seven Continuing Education campuses with new state-of-the-art instructional and career training facilities, major renovations, and campuswide infrastructure.

Along with its work with SDCCD, Gafcon has managed hundreds of other high-profile projects including the \$12 billion Zizhu Hi Tech Development in Shanghai, the \$2.5 billion Seaport San Diego project in downtown, and \$50 billion in education bond programs throughout Southern California. Few companies have had a comparable role in managing construction projects throughout San Diego.

“Simply stated, we are a program/project construction management company that can assist owners and deliver projects from inception to finish,” said Robin Duveen, President and COO of Gafcon and a construction industry veteran with 30 years of experience in program, project, and construction management.

Indeed, as the Propositions S and N program manager, Gafcon has been instrumental in the District, receiving the highest ratings possible from two of the nation’s benchmark bond-rating services over consecutive years.

One of Duveen’s goals is to further strengthen Gafcon’s focus on delivering quality projects for owners; therefore, he is known for his strong and productive relationships with clients.

“This is a true partnership,” said Duveen. “The San Diego Community College District is a leader in higher education environment and workforce development, and it is an honor to work with such visionaries.”

Since 2008, Gafcon has been an active member of the [SDCCD's Corporate Council](#), a partnership that Gafcon finds very rewarding.

"We sit on the Corporate Council as a result of our strong relationship with the District and we want to be part of this partnership for the long haul," Duveen said. "Our goal is to assist the District in every way we can now and into the future."



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