**Economic Impacts (2015)**

Agricultural and related industries generate

- **32,445** jobs (19.2% of total) in Alachua County.
- **$1.23 billion** in revenues.
- **10.3%** contribution to gross regional product. 

*Based on an annual UF study*

It is estimated that for every $1 invested in agricultural research and Extension, there is a return of **$20** to the community. 

*Alston, Andersen et al. (2010)*

**Funding (FY 2017)**

- State funds for Extension **$907,618 (67%)**
- Federal funds for Extension **$86,646 (6%)**
- County funds for Extension **$363,076 (27%)**

**Volunteers (2016)**

- Number of volunteers: **405**
- Hours worked: **37,453**
- Dollar value of hours worked: **$904,115**

**Giving (FY 2016)**

- Recent donors residing in county **55,733**
- FY 2016 donors residing in county **34,811**
- Gifts to UF from county residents **$46,166,508**
- Gifts to IFAS from county residents **$865,034**

**Client Satisfaction (2014)**

- **Quality**: 93%
  - Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.

- **Effectiveness**: 82%
  - Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

- **Leverage**: 69%
  - Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

**Clientele Contacts (2016)**

- Field and office consultations: **1,184**
- Participants at group learning events: **33,762**
- Phone and email consultations: **17,739**
- Social media engagement: **829,692**
- Educational materials created: **250**

**Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2016)**

- Clients reporting an increase in knowledge or skill: **88%**
- Clients reporting a change in behavior or attitude: **71%**
- Clients adopting best practices resulting in societal, economic, or environmental benefits to community: **64%**

**Students and Alumni (Fall 2016)**

- UF students from county: **3,301**
- CALS students from county: **534**
- UF alumni residing in county: **34,023**
- UF/IFAS alumni residing in county: **4,068**

**EXTENSION**: Master Gardener; Florida Yards & Neighborhoods; Personal finances; 4-H youth development; Beef marketability; Commercial/residential horticulture; Ag & Natural resources

**COMMODITIES**: Cattle, Agronomic row crops, Blueberries, Vegetables, Goats

**RESEARCH**: Restoration and protection of aquatic and natural areas from invasive weeds

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