**Economic Impacts (2014)**

Agricultural and related industries generate

- **12,684** jobs (18.5% of total) in Charlotte County.
- **$499.7** million in revenues.
- **13.2%** 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 2016)**

- State funds for Extension: **$348,925** (44%)
- Federal funds for Extension: **$41,087** (5%)
- County funds for Extension: **$407,842** (51%)

**Volunteers (2015)**

- Number of volunteers: **415**
- Hours worked: **17,696**
- Dollar value of hours worked: **$416,918**

**Giving (FY 2016)**

- Recent donors residing in county: **1,086**
- FY 2016 donors residing in county: **526**
- Gifts to UF from county residents: **$90,053**
- Gifts to IFAS from county residents: **$30**

**Client Satisfaction (2016)**

- Quality: **98%** Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.
- Effectiveness: **83%** Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...
- Leverage: **77%** Said it solved their problem or answered their question.
- **79%** Clients who shared the information with someone else.

**Clientele Contacts (2015)**

- Field and office consultations: **2,324**
- Participants at group learning events: **12,398**
- Phone and email consultations: **10,649**
- Social media engagement: **78,058**
- Educational materials created: **97**

**Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2015)**

- Clients reporting an increase in knowledge or skill: **85%**
- Clients reporting a change in behavior or attitude: **70%**
- Clients adopting best practices resulting in societal, economic, or environmental benefits to community: **65%**

**Students and Alumni (Fall 2016)**

- UF students from county: **142**
- CALS students from county: **14**
- UF alumni residing in county: **774**
- UF/IFAS alumni residing in county: **105**

**EXTENSION:** Master Gardener/Naturalist, 4-H Youth, Coastal Environment & Water Quality, Florida-Friendly Landscaping™, Waterway Management, Commercial/Residential Horticulture, Sea Grant

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