

**Economic Impacts** (2019)

Agricultural and related industries generate

**8,686** jobs (24.3% of total) in Columbia County.  
**\$641** million in Gross Regional Product.  
**27.5%** 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 2022)

State funds for Extension **\$698,553 (59%)**  
 Federal funds for Extension **\$70,658 (6%)**  
 County funds for Extension **\$416,801 (35%)**

**Volunteers** (2022)

Number of volunteers **253**  
 Hours worked **3,237**  
 Dollar value of hours worked **\$102,922**

**Giving** (FY 2022)

Recent (5yrs) donors residing in county **1,166**  
 Current (1yr) donors residing in county **594**  
 Gifts to UF from county residents **\$414,687**  
 Gifts to IFAS from county residents **\$18,441**

**EXTENSION:** 4-H; Nutrition & food safety; Agronomic crop sustainability; Financial management; Commercial & environmental horticulture; Natural resources; Sustainable ag for small farms; Livestock

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**Client Satisfaction** (2020)

Quality

**76%** Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.

Effectiveness

**78%** Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

**57%** Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

Leverage

**59%** Clients who shared the information with someone else.

**Clientele Contacts** (2022)

Field and office consultations **883**  
 Participants at group learning events **20,539**  
 Phone and email consultations **21,312**  
 Social media engagement **72,674**  
 Educational materials created **183**

**Statewide Clientele Outcomes** (2022)

Gallons of water saved by residents and landscapers **340,124,479**  
 No. of producers who adopted recommended practices **18,690**  
 No. of adults and youth reporting healthy eating or physical activity practices, or improved health parameters **55,285**

**Students and Alumni** (Fall 2022)

UF students from county **141**  
 CALS students from county **23**  
 UF alumni residing in county **1,350**  
 UF/IFAS alumni residing in county **198**