**GADSDEN COUNTY**

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  Alston, Andersen et al. (2010)

### Client Satisfaction (2015)

**Quality**
- **86%** Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.

**Effectiveness**
- **50%** Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...
- **86%** Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

**Leverage**
- **57%** Clients who shared the information with someone else.

### Funding (FY 2017)

- **State funds for Extension**: $469,234 (59%)
- **Federal funds for Extension**: $44,795 (6%)
- **County funds for Extension**: $279,121 (35%)

### Volunteers (2016)

- **Number of volunteers**: 237
- **Hours worked**: 3,757
- **Dollar value of hours worked**: $90,694

### Giving (FY 2016)

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- **FY 2016 donors residing in county**: 211
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### Clientele Contacts (2016)

- **Field and office consultations**: 1,808
- **Participants at group learning events**: 19,799
- **Phone and email consultations**: 9,831
- **Social media engagement**: 60,629
- **Educational materials created**: 253

### Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2016)

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- **Clients reporting a change in behavior or attitude**: 71%
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**COMMODITIES:** Vegetables, Melons, Small grains, Row crops, Forages,

**RESEARCH:** Plant Breeding; Row Crop Systms; Specialty Crop Systms; Integrated Pest Mgmt; Wildlife; Invasive Plant Control; Forest Mgmt; Soil Nutrient Mgmt; Bioenergy; Nanotechnology

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