**Economic Impacts (2015)**

Agricultural and related industries generate

- **172,133** jobs (19.2% of total) in Palm Beach County.
- **$10.60** billion in revenues.
- **14.4%** 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 **$1,331,136 (34%)**
- Federal funds for Extension **$127,077 (3%)**
- County funds for Extension **$2,493,380 (63%)**

**Volunteers (2016)**

- Number of volunteers **514**
- Hours worked **16,135**
- Dollar value of hours worked **$389,499**

**Giving (FY 2016)**

- Recent donors residing in county **23,192**
- FY 2016 donors residing in county **10,259**
- Gifts to UF from county residents **$4,066,635**
- Gifts to IFAS from county residents **$362,422**

**Client Satisfaction (2013)**

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<th>Quality</th>
<th>96%</th>
<th>Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.</th>
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<td>Effectiveness</td>
<td>83%</td>
<td>Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...</td>
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<td>Effectiveness</td>
<td>84%</td>
<td>Said it solved their problem or answered their question.</td>
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<td>Leverage</td>
<td>78%</td>
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**Clientele Contacts (2016)**

- Field and office consultations **5,043**
- Participants at group learning events **42,171**
- Phone and email consultations **23,044**
- Social media engagement **4,891**
- Educational materials created **667**

**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 **3,462**
- CALS students from county **298**
- UF alumni residing in county **17,719**
- UF/IFAS alumni residing in county **1,255**

**EXTENSION:** Sustainable ag/hort; Nutrition/food safety; Jobs for a sustainable community; Financial mgmt; 4-H; Community/human development; Mounts Botanical Garden; Master Gardeners

**COMMODITIES:** Sugarcane, Vegetables, Sweet corn, Rice, Turf

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