HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Economic Impacts (2019)
Agricultural and related industries generate

176,637 jobs (18.1% of total) in Hillsborough County.

$11.94 billion in Gross Regional Product.

11.7%

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)

Client Satisfaction (2021)
Quality
94%
Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.

Effectiveness
73%
Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

78%
Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

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

Funding (FY 2023)
State funds for Extension $1,773,009 (37%)
Federal funds for Extension $178,719 (4%)
County funds for Extension $2,801,603 (59%)

Volunteers (2023)
Number of volunteers 693
Hours worked 7,693
Dollar value of hours worked $257,639

Giving (FY 2023)
Recent (5yrs) donors residing in county 10,349
Current (1yr) donors residing in county 3,676
Gifts to UF from county residents $13,536,968
Gifts to IFAS from county residents $1,205,138

Statewide Clientele Contacts (2023)
Field and office consultations 2,745
Participants at group learning events 44,386
Phone and email consultations 20,314
Social media engagement 3,274,455
Educational materials created 1,172

Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2023)
Gallons of water saved by residents and landscapers 375,503,045
No. of producers who adopted recommended practices 20,994
No. of adults and youth reporting healthy eating or physical activity practices, or improved health parameters 39,157

Students and Alumni (Fall 2023)
UF students from county 3,154
CALS students from county 301
UF alumni residing in county 21,861
UF/IFAS alumni residing in county 1,932

EXTENSION: Commercial Veg/Fruit/Ornamental plant production; Financial mgmt; Life skills; Food and nutrition; 4-H/Youth dev.; Home Horticulture; Prof. Hort. Services; Urban Forestry

COMMODITIES: Small fruits, Vegetables, Ornamentals, Aquaculture

RESEARCH: Breeding & genetics, Horticulture, Plant pathology, Entomology & nematology, Soil & water sciences, Weed science

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FY 2023 Expenditures: $1,225,665

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