

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% 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 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**

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

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.

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**

COMMODITIES: Small fruits, Vegetables, Ornamentals, Aquaculture

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

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