

Economic Impacts (2019)

Agricultural and related industries generate

15,953 jobs (21.9% of total) in Charlotte County.

\$1.37 billion in Gross Regional Product.

26.6% 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 2025)

State funds for Extension **\$602,527 (45%)**
Federal funds for Extension **\$60,673 (5%)**
County funds for Extension **\$667,428 (50%)**

Volunteers (2024)

Number of volunteers **294**
Hours worked **10,040**
Dollar value of hours worked **\$349,276**

Giving (FY 2024)

Recent (5yrs) donors residing in county **372**
Current (1yr) donors residing in county **101**
Gifts to UF from county residents **\$47,758**
Gifts to IFAS from county residents **\$320**

EXTENSION: Master Gardener/Naturalist, 4-H Youth, Coastal Environment & Water Quality, Florida-Friendly Landscaping™, Waterway Mgmt, Commercial/Residential Horticulture, Sea Grant, Family Nutrition Program

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Client Satisfaction (2021)

Quality

93% Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.

Effectiveness

89% Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

84% Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

Leverage

78% Clients who shared the information with someone else.

Clientele Contacts (2024)

Field and office consultations **5,185**
Participants at group learning events **8,164**
Phone and email consultations **23,685**
Social media engagement **97,882**
Educational materials created **238**

Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2024)

Gallons of water saved by residents and landscapers **299,660,684**
No. of producers who adopted recommended practices **22,350**
No. of adults and youth reporting healthy eating or physical activity practices, or improved health parameters **37,001**

Students and Alumni (Fall 2024)

UF students from county **146**
CALs students from county **15**
UF alumni residing in county **983**
UF/IFAS alumni residing in county **144**