

Economic Impacts (2019)

Agricultural and related industries generate

14,661 jobs (21.0% of total) in Hernando County.

\$679 million in Gross Regional Product.

15.9% 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 **\$779,899 (50%)**
Federal funds for Extension **\$75,841 (5%)**
County funds for Extension **\$702,582 (45%)**

Volunteers (2024)

Number of volunteers **148**
Hours worked **8,736**
Dollar value of hours worked **\$303,932**

Giving (FY 2024)

Recent (5yrs) donors residing in county **613**
Current (1yr) donors residing in county **174**
Gifts to UF from county residents **\$389,618**
Gifts to IFAS from county residents **\$3,789**

EXTENSION: Sustainable small farm; Financial management; Life skills development for youth; Urban horticulture; Sea Grant

Client Satisfaction (2019)

Quality

91% Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.

Effectiveness

75% Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

82% Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

Leverage

59% Clients who shared the information with someone else.

Clientele Contacts (2024)

Field and office consultations **4,821**
Participants at group learning events **12,949**
Phone and email consultations **5,094**
Social media engagement **137,912**
Educational materials created **236**

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 **179**
CALS students from county **18**
UF alumni residing in county **1,035**
UF/IFAS alumni residing in county **141**

UF/IFAS Extension Hernando County

16110 Aviation Loop Drive
Brooksville, FL 34604-6993
352-754-4433
Director: Brittany Scharf
Email: nmoores@ufl.edu
Web: <http://hernando.ifas.ufl.edu>