**Economic Impacts (2019)**

Agricultural and related industries generate

- **8,686** jobs (24.3% of total) in Columbia County.
- **$641 million** in Gross Regional Product.
- **27.5%** 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)*

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**Client Satisfaction (2020)**

**Quality**  
Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided. **76%**

**Effectiveness**  
Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and... **78%**

**57%** said it solved their problem or answered their question.

**Leverage**  
Clients who shared the information with someone else. **59%**

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**Funding (FY 2021)**

- State funds for Extension **$728,783 (64%)**
- Federal funds for Extension **$71,584 (6%)**
- County funds for Extension **$332,947 (29%)**

**Volunteers (2020)**

- Number of volunteers **148**
- Hours worked **2,895**
- Dollar value of hours worked **$82,623**

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**Giving (FY 2020)**

- Recent donors residing in county **1,155**
- FY 2020 donors residing in county **581**
- Gifts to UF from county residents **$360,608**
- Gifts to IFAS from county residents **$10,557**

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**Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2020)**

- Gallons of water saved by residents and landscapers **344,958,268**
- No. of producers who adopted recommended practices **17,589**
- No. of adults and youth reporting healthy eating or physical activity practices, or improved health parameters **55,285**

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**Students and Alumni (Fall 2020)**

- UF students from county **146**
- CALS students from county **24**
- UF alumni residing in county **1,311**
- UF/IFAS alumni residing in county **186**

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