**COLUMBIA COUNTY**

**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)*

**Funding (FY 2022)**

- State funds for Extension: $698,553 (59%)
- Federal funds for Extension: $69,576 (6%)
- County funds for Extension: $416,801 (35%)

**Volunteers (2021)**

- Number of volunteers: 132
- Hours worked: 1,833
- Dollar value of hours worked: $52,314

**Giving (FY 2021)**

- Recent (5yrs) donors residing in county: 1,134
- Current (1yr) donors residing in county: 496
- Gifts to UF from county residents: $243,021
- Gifts to IFAS from county residents: $3,241

**Client Satisfaction (2020)**

- Quality: 76%
  - Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.
- Effectiveness: 78%
  - Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...
- Leverage: 59%
  - Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

**Clientele Contacts (2021)**

- Field and office consultations: 401
- Participants at group learning events: 12,530
- Phone and email consultations: 19,755
- Social media engagement: 148,612
- Educational materials created: 274

**Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2021)**

- Gallons of water saved by residents and landscapers: 359,449,792
- No. of producers who adopted recommended practices: 13,606
- No. of adults and youth reporting healthy eating or physical activity practices, or improved health parameters: 25,608

**Students and Alumni (Fall 2021)**

- UF students from county: 145
- CALS students from county: 25
- UF alumni residing in county: 1,338
- UF/IFAS alumni residing in county: 192

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**EXTENSION: 4-H; Nutrition & food safety; Agronomic crop sustainability; Financial management; Commercial & environmental horticulture; Natural resources; Sustainable ag for small farms; Livestock**

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