Economic Impacts (2016)
Agricultural and related industries generate

11,623 jobs (30.8% of total) in Highlands County.

$559 million in Gross Regional Product.

25.9%

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 2018)
State funds for Extension $545,509 (68%)
Federal funds for Extension $56,418 (7%)
County funds for Extension $194,574 (24%)

Volunteers (2017)
Number of volunteers 76
Hours worked 4,267
Dollar value of hours worked $105,352

Giving (FY 2017)
Recent donors residing in county 1,004
FY 2017 donors residing in county 450
Gifts to UF from county residents $207,513
Gifts to IFAS from county residents $50,653

Client Satisfaction (2017)
Quality 95%
Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.

Effectiveness 85%
Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

68%
Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

Leverage 74%
Clients who shared the information with someone else.

Clientele Contacts (2017)
Field and office consultations 3,395
Participants at group learning events 6,553
Phone and email consultations 1,675
Social media engagement 5,033
Educational materials created 164

Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2017)
Gallons of water saved by residential participants 176,405,796
No. of producers who adopted recommended practices 20,813
No. of adults and youth reporting healthy eating or physical activity practices, or improved health parameters 56,562

Students and Alumni (Fall 2017)
UF students from county 130
CALS students from county 39
UF alumni residing in county 769
UF/IFAS alumni residing in county 244

EXTENSION: Agricultural support; livestock and forage production; Master Gardener programs; pesticide applicator programs; 4-H youth leadership development

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