**Economic Impacts (2018)**

Agricultural and related industries generate

- **190,808** jobs (20.2% of total) in Palm Beach County.
- **$14.20 billion** in Gross Regional Product.
- **17.3%** 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 2021)**

- **State funds for Extension**: $1,671,860 (38%)
- **Federal funds for Extension**: $164,217 (4%)
- **County funds for Extension**: $2,542,810 (58%)

**Volunteers (2020)**

- **Number of volunteers**: 466
- **Hours worked**: 19,903
- **Dollar value of hours worked**: $568,032

**Giving (FY 2020)**

- **Recent donors residing in county**: 9,658
- **FY 2020 donors residing in county**: 4,219
- **Gifts to UF from county residents**: $6,122,195
- **Gifts to IFAS from county residents**: $434,994

**Client Satisfaction (2018)**

- **Quality**: 97%
  - Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.
- **Effectiveness**: 82%
  - Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...
- **82%**
  - Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

- **Leverage**: 79%
  - Clients who shared the information with someone else.

**Clientele Contacts (2020)**

- **Field and office consultations**: 4,012
- **Participants at group learning events**: 45,591
- **Phone and email consultations**: 22,441
- **Social media engagement**: 173,240
- **Educational materials created**: 542

**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

**Students and Alumni (Fall 2020)**

- **UF students from county**: 3,896
- **CALS students from county**: 353
- **UF alumni residing in county**: 19,917
- **UF/IFAS alumni residing in county**: 1,485

**EXTENSION**: Sustainable ag/hort; Nutrition/food safety; Jobs for a sustainable community; Financial mgmt; 4-H; Community/human development; Mounts Botanical Garden; Master Gardeners

**COMMODITIES**: Sugarcane, Vegetables, Sweet corn, Rice, Turf

**RESEARCH**: Improve agricultural practices; Conserve & protect soil, water & wildlife resources; Develop cost effective and energy efficient systems for agriculture industry

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**FY 2021 Expenditures**: $6,269,140

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