Economic Impacts (2019)
Agricultural and related industries generate

32,963 jobs (26.1% of total) in St. Johns County.

$1.84 billion in Gross Regional Product.

19.1% 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)

Client Satisfaction (2018)
Quality
95% Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided.

Effectiveness
79% Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...

78% Said it solved their problem or answered their question.

Leverage
70% Clients who shared the information with someone else.

Funding (FY 2022)
State funds for Extension $964,278 (53%)
Federal funds for Extension $97,535 (5%)
County funds for Extension $757,384 (42%)

Volunteers (2022)
Number of volunteers 538
Hours worked 14,607
Dollar value of hours worked $464,488

Giving (FY 2022)
Recent (5yrs) donors residing in county 5,190
Current (1yr) donors residing in county 2,295
Gifts to UF from county residents $9,029,077
Gifts to IFAS from county residents $144,992

Clientele Contacts (2022)
Field and office consultations 1,519
Participants at group learning events 22,404
Phone and email consultations 8,383
Social media engagement 23,472
Educational materials created 261

Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2022)
Gallons of water saved by residents and landscapers 340,124,479
No. of producers who adopted recommended practices 18,690
No. of adults and youth reporting healthy eating or physical activity practices, or improved health parameters 55,285

Students and Alumni (Fall 2022)
UF students from county 1,222
CALS students from county 109
UF alumni residing in county 7,897
UF/IFAS alumni residing in county 650

EXTENSION: Pesticide safety, commercial/homeowner turf grass production, 4-H teen leadership opportunities, Housing, Commercial vegetable production, Ag production & sustainability

RESEARCH: Alternatives to traditional practices in development, agriculture, land use, and water quality, which include low impact development, Florida Friendly landscaping, niche crops

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