## Economic Impacts (2016)

Agricultural and related industries generate

- **7,539** jobs (47.2% of total) in Suwannee County.
- **$467 million** in Gross Regional Product.
- **46.9%** 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 2019)

- State funds for Extension: $893,855 (60%)
- Federal funds for Extension: $84,165 (6%)
- County funds for Extension: $523,943 (35%)

## Volunteers (2018)

- Number of volunteers: 187
- Hours worked: 5,974
- Dollar value of hours worked: $151,919

## Giving (FY 2018)

- Recent donors residing in county: 1,000
- FY 2018 donors residing in county: 502
- Gifts to UF from county residents: $205,900
- Gifts to IFAS from county residents: $70,317

## Client Satisfaction (2014)

### Quality

- Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided: **92%**

### Effectiveness

- Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and...: **85%**
- Said it solved their problem or answered their question: **92%**

### Leverage

- Clients who shared the information with someone else: **75%**

## Clientele Contacts (2018)

- Field and office consultations: **1,608**
- Participants at group learning events: **26,632**
- Phone and email consultations: **3,125**
- Social media engagement: **261,284**
- Educational materials created: **302**

## Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2018)

- Gallons of water saved by residents and landscapers: **386,541,761**
- No. of producers who adopted recommended practices: **8,543**
- No. of adults and youth reporting healthy eating or physical activity practices, or improved health parameters: **47,638**

## Students and Alumni (Fall 2018)

- UF students from county: **79**
- CALS students from county: **14**
- UF alumni residing in county: **651**
- UF/IFAS alumni residing in county: **177**

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**EXTENSION:** 4-H/youth development; ag production/marketing; livestock/forages, sustainable ag systems; landscaping/gardening; nutrition, diabetes ed., financial mgmt.; food safety/preservation; community development; workforce development; natural resources, and volunteer opportunities.

**COMMODITIES:** Peanuts, corn, livestock, watermelons, carrots, sweet potatoes, forages/hay, snap peas, timber/pine straw, pecans, soybeans, peas, blueberries, tomatoes, cucumbers, bell peppers, tobacco, squash, grains, nursery crops. **RESEARCH:** The SVAEC supports over $31 million in UF/IFAS research projects related to fruit and vegetable crops, integrated pest management, water quality and quantity, and food safety.

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