COLUMBIA COUNTY

Economic Impacts (2011)

Agricultural and related industries generate

- **6,093** jobs (22.09% of total) in Columbia County.
- **$0.24** billion in revenues.
- **14.0%** contribution to gross regional product.

It is estimated that for every **$1** invested in agricultural research and extension, there is a return of **$10** to the community.

Funding (FY 2013)

- State funds for Extension **$519,766 (59%)**
- Federal funds for Extension **$63,944 (7%)**
- County funds for Extension **$296,581 (34%)**

Volunteers (2013)

- Number of volunteers **319**
- Hours worked **9,630**
- Dollar value of hours worked **$217,157**

Giving (FY 2013)

- Recent donors residing in county **2,007**
- FY 2013 donors residing in county **1,229**
- Gifts to UF from county residents **$437,156**
- Gifts to IFAS from county residents **$4,874**

Client Satisfaction (2010)

- **Quality**: Residents who used Extension services and were satisfied with the service provided. **84%**
- **Effectiveness**: Clients who had an opportunity to use the information received, and... **69%**
- **Leverage**: Said it solved their problem or answered their question. **78%**
- **Leverage**: Clients who shared the information with someone else. **61%**

Clientele Contacts (2013)

- Field and office consultations **3,039**
- Participants at group learning events **24,183**
- Phone and email consultations **7,128**
- Educational materials created **299**

Statewide Clientele Outcomes (2013)

- Clients reporting an increase in knowledge or skill **88%**
- Clients reporting a change in behavior or attitude **74%**
- Clients adopting best practices resulting in societal, economic, or environmental benefits to community **60%**

Students and Alumni (Fall 2013)

- UF students from county **147**
- CALS students from county **16**
- UF alumni residing in county **1,161**
- IFAS alumni residing in county **171**

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

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