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UF/IFAS EXTENSION

UF/IFAS EXTENSION IS A STATEWIDE NETWORK OF EXPERTS that fulfills the UF/IFAS outreach mission by partnering with communities to provide high-quality, relevant education and research-based expertise to foster healthy people, healthy environments and healthy communities.

Website: <https://sfyl.ifas.ufl.edu>

Social Media: <https://ifas.ufl.edu/social-media>

WHO WE ARE

As a land-grant institution, UF needs a statewide presence to serve citizens in every part of Florida. UF/IFAS Extension meets this need, providing science-based information to residents and producers, and relaying concerns and questions to UF/IFAS researchers when appropriate.

Besides operating offices in all 67 Florida counties, UF/IFAS Extension employs state specialists who are appointed to UF/IFAS' 14 academic departments and two schools, and who are stationed at the UF main campus and 17 off-campus locations. Furthermore, UF/IFAS Extension reaches clients in Florida and beyond via print and online resources, video and social media.

UF/IFAS Extension agents form the backbone of the program; 362 are employed statewide as of fall 2020. Most agents have positions that are dedicated to one or more broad topics, such as horticultural crops, commercial

agriculture, 4-H youth development, family and consumer sciences, community resource development, Sea Grant or natural resources.

In addition, UF/IFAS Extension employs 279 statewide specialists, who provide insightful guidance to producers dealing with high-value crops and other concerns. These specialists address fruit and vegetable production, agronomic crops, livestock, seafood, aquaculture, urban horticulture, family resources, youth development and more.

UF/IFAS Extension is funded by federal, state and county sources and we have faculty working in every Florida county. This situation has the effect of keeping UF/IFAS Extension personnel in close contact with local leaders, focusing on local concerns via grassroots engagement.

WHAT WE DO

All UF/IFAS Extension offices disseminate science-based information to clients, helping them solve problems related to agriculture, horticulture, natural resources, water, energy, youth, families and community issues. To accomplish their objectives, UF/IFAS Extension personnel conduct educational events, distribute educational materials and answer questions from callers and visitors.

Many agents travel to producers' operations to provide on-site advice and perform another important function by

relaying producers' needs and concerns back to UF/IFAS research faculty for assessment and action.

Additionally, UF/IFAS Extension offers training and professional development opportunities to personnel in agriculture and related industries, administers the Florida 4-H Youth Development Program, the Florida Master Naturalist Program and the Florida Master Gardener Program, and maintains a massive online Extension document library, the Electronic Data Information Source (EDIS).

GOALS

1. Increasing the sustainability, profitability and competitiveness of Florida's agricultural and natural resources industries.
2. Enhancing and protecting water and supply.
3. Enhancing and conserving Florida's natural resources and environmental quality.
4. Producing and conserving traditional and alternative forms of energy.
5. Empowering individuals and families to lead healthy, successful lives.
6. Strengthening urban and rural communities.
7. Preparing youth to be responsible, successful adults.

2018 UF/IFAS EXTENSION IMPACTS & BUDGET ANNUAL REPORT

UF/IFAS EXTENSION CONNECTIONS

In 2019, UF/IFAS Extension made

24,573,432

PERSONAL CONNECTIONS

Social Media Engagement



14,408,810

Web Visits



7,064,655

Group Learning Participants



2,026,569

E-mail Consultations



641,248

Phone Consultations



222,587

Office Consultations



114,561

Field or Site Visits



70,405

Educational Materials Produced



24,597

Source: UF/IFAS Workload Database

VALUE OF VOLUNTEERS

In 2019, UF/IFAS Extension had

25,908

VOLUNTEERS

who gave

927,288

HOURS OF SERVICE

\$25,222,234 value¹

Source: UF/IFAS Workload Database

¹2019 National Value of Volunteer Time = \$27.20/hr, independentsector.org

USE OF INFORMATION

In 2019, of participants surveyed,

74%

of those who used UF/IFAS Extension information said it

SOLVED THEIR PROBLEM

Source: Program Development and Evaluation Center

MAKING AN IMPACT

In 2019, of participants surveyed,

90%

- 40% saved money or increased income
- 34% developed skills as a leader or volunteer
- 28% improved their health or well-being
- 27% conserved more water or energy



467,145,870

GALLONS OF WATER SAVED... ENOUGH WATER TO SUPPLY



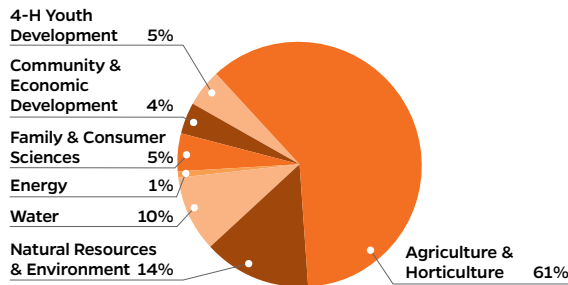
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HOUSEHOLDS WITH WATER FOR ONE YEAR

Source: Program Development & Evaluation Center
<http://pdec.ifas.ufl.edu/impacts/landscapewaterconservation.pdf>

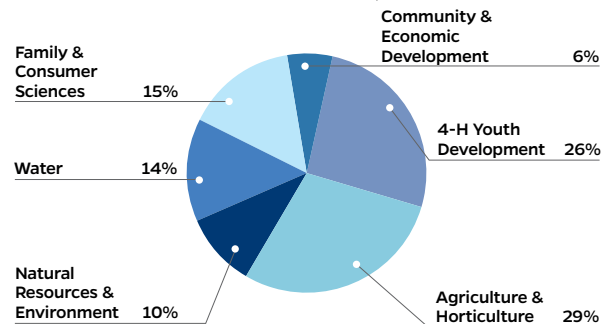
STATE FACULTY BY PROGRAM AREA

State Extension faculty work with UF/IFAS researchers and county faculty to deliver new information and technology to assist Florida residents in solving problems.



COUNTY FACULTY BY PROGRAM AREA

County faculty develop and deliver programs to Florida citizens based on input from local advisory committees, county commissioners and volunteers in collaboration with state faculty.



CUSTOMER SATISFACTION

In 2019, the following percentages of clientele reported that UF/IFAS Extension's information was:



95%

up-to-date & accurate



90%

relevant



95%

easy to understand



93%

delivered on time

Source: Program Development and Evaluation Center

UF/IFAS EXTENSION FUNDING SOURCES

In 2019-2020, UF/IFAS Extension received

\$117,005,964

from federal, state and local governments

\$5,053,698



Federal¹

4.3%

\$48,927,820



State²

41.8%

\$34,480,392



County

29.5%

\$28,544,054



Contracts & Grants

24.4%

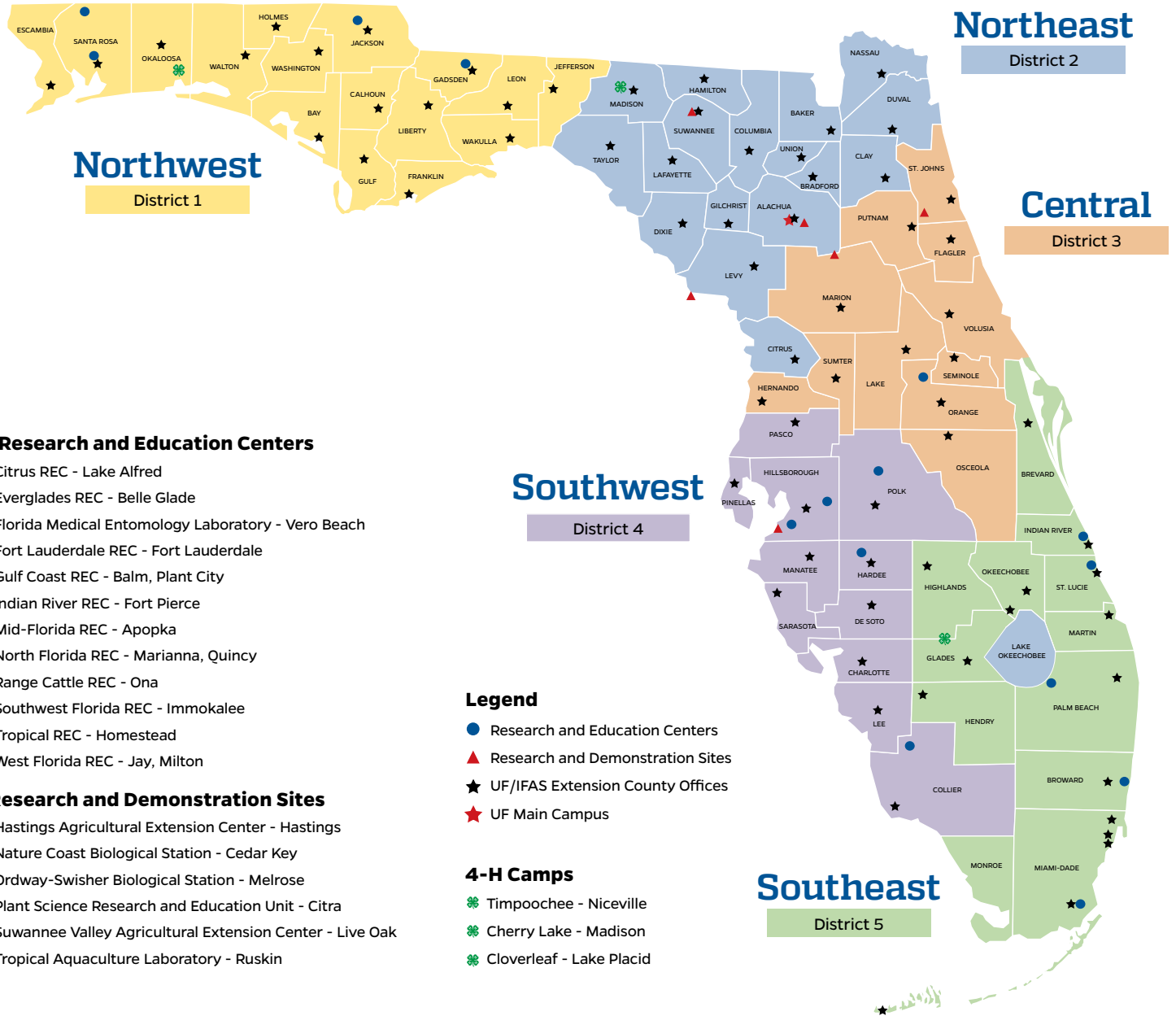
Source: UF/IFAS Extension Administration Office

¹Federal funding includes Smith-Lever dollars only.

²Does not include grants and contracts.

For the full annual report, visit www.ifas.ufl.edu/annual-reports.shtml

UF/IFAS Statewide Operations



12 Research and Education Centers

- Citrus REC - Lake Alfred
- Everglades REC - Belle Glade
- Florida Medical Entomology Laboratory - Vero Beach
- Fort Lauderdale REC - Fort Lauderdale
- Gulf Coast REC - Balm, Plant City
- Indian River REC - Fort Pierce
- Mid-Florida REC - Apopka
- North Florida REC - Marianna, Quincy
- Range Cattle REC - Ona
- Southwest Florida REC - Immokalee
- Tropical REC - Homestead
- West Florida REC - Jay, Milton

6 Research and Demonstration Sites

- ▲ Hastings Agricultural Extension Center - Hastings
- ▲ Nature Coast Biological Station - Cedar Key
- ▲ Ordway-Swisher Biological Station - Melrose
- ▲ Plant Science Research and Education Unit - Citra
- ▲ Suwannee Valley Agricultural Extension Center - Live Oak
- ▲ Tropical Aquaculture Laboratory - Ruskin

Legend

- Research and Education Centers
- ▲ Research and Demonstration Sites
- ★ UF/IFAS Extension County Offices
- ★ UF Main Campus

4-H Camps

- Timpooshee - Niceville
- Cherry Lake - Madison
- Cloverleaf - Lake Placid