



PUBLIC SERVICE
AND AGRICULTURE

BUDGET REQUESTS 2024-2025
POULTRY SCIENCE RESEARCH
FACILITY SUPPORT
RECURRING

\$525,000

Poultry Science Research Facility Support

The Poultry Science Research Center, near Clemson's main campus at the Piedmont Research and Education Center (REC), provides research, teaching and outreach support to the South Carolina poultry industry.

Goals:

- Expand programming in support of the South Carolina poultry industry.
- Hire critical research faculty and support staff.

Current State:

- According to the S.C. Poultry Federation, the South Carolina poultry industry represents 40 percent of all agriculture in the state and 80 percent of animal agriculture, accounts for approximately 13,000 jobs, and generates \$1.5 billion in sales.
- Clemson currently has limited capacity to conduct relevant research needed to support this expanding industry.
- Existing research facilities at the Morgan Poultry Center were constructed prior to the mid-1970s and are at capacity and are not representative of modern poultry production environments. A new poultry research facility is being constructed with funds previously provided by the General Assembly. The new facility will support a wide variety of ongoing research by current faculty as well as bolster Clemson's ability to conduct critical research related to bird health and production.

What will this \$525K do?

- Hire critical research faculty and technical support to assist with the operation of the facility and surrounding site and provide for operating costs.