

**\$1,901,500****FACTS & STATS**

## Statewide Program Support

Clemson's Research and Education Centers provide regional connectivity to our farmers for applied research and education programs to support the agriculture industry. Our Cooperative Extension Service provides technology transfer to commercial agriculture and homeowners.

The Livestock Poultry Health unit provides essential services to the livestock and poultry industry through disease monitoring and control and to South Carolina citizens through the meat inspection division.

Rising operational costs due to inflation and other factors within the Experiment Station, Cooperative Extension Service and the Livestock Poultry Health Unit have strained the current funding levels.

**Cooperative Extension:****46**

offices located in every South Carolina county

**36,000+**

educational workshops, individual lessons and farm visits

**189,000+**

participants in educational programming

**46,000+**

4-H members

**Livestock Poultry Health:****469**

inspections of livestock markets, exhibitions, livestock farms and other sales

**86,698**

tests and procedures performed by the Veterinary Diagnostic Center

**36,861**

individual meat-poultry inspection procedures

Clemson University PSA is also responsible for the maintenance and operation of the South Carolina Botanical Garden. The Garden is free to the public, supports the mission of the University and serves as a destination site for many out-of-state and in-state visitors. Operational costs of maintaining the integrity of the South Carolina Botanical Garden have increased beyond its revenue sources.

The requested funds will offset the increased costs in fuel, maintenance, facility repairs and contracted services without compromising the quality and scope of our service to the public.

As a land-grant university, Clemson is part of a national system created by the U.S. Congress to improve the quality of life for citizens in every state. The University's statewide Public Service and Agriculture (PSA) network conducts research; delivers impartial, science-based information; and provides Extension and regulatory programs to improve and protect economic prosperity and well-being for all South Carolina residents.

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### South Carolina Botanical Garden:

**298**

acres

**4**

miles of trails

**500,000**

annual visitors

**450**

participants in educational courses

**25**

tour groups

**1,047**

tour group participants

**40**

student employees/interns each semester

**5**

horticulturists (peer gardens average 12 horticulturists)

### Experiment Station:

**6**

Research and Education Centers across the state

**9,724**

acres of land

**50+**

laboratories and greenhouses