



\$2,600,000

PROTECTING SOUTH CAROLINA'S FOOD SOURCES AND BOLSTERING AGRICULTURAL SERVICES

Livestock Poultry Health (LPH) is a critical component of Clemson's land-grant mission.

Goals

- Increased funding will allow for an additional pesticide program manager position to help ensure the safety of our food supply via South Carolina meat processing plants and to enhance detection and prevention of the spread of disease in both animals and plants to keep our agricultural industry strong.
- By implementing and maintaining appropriate training protocols, this position will support the integrity of South Carolina's agricultural systems – both livestock and crop-based – and safeguard public health from consequences of unqualified pesticide application.
- Additional funding to address inflationary costs associated with agricultural services will ensure Clemson is positioned to effectively follow through on its stated and expected mission.

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Current State

- Annual operating expenses have risen across all Livestock Poultry Health units due to inflationary pressures and evolving operating demands.
- LPH identified key areas contributing to the need for increased funding:
 - Animal health programs
 - Clemson Veterinary Diagnostic Center
 - South Carolina Meat-Poultry Inspection Department

What will this \$2.6M do?

- Pesticide training program manager and operating – \$100K
- Inflation to the operating funds of the Agricultural Service Laboratory – \$500K
- Annual operating expense increases across LPH units – \$2M