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From the Academy of Natural Science, Philadelphia. If interested, please contact James Macklin directly (macklin@acnatsci.org).

Dear Colleagues,

I have a favour to ask. Most of you know that we have recently been fortunate enough to upgrade our herbarium with new compactors and cabinets. I am happy to report that the upgrade is mostly complete. My new task is to find homes for over 50 old herbarium cases which are no longer needed. I would very much like to recycle them as opposed to 'permanent' recycling in a landfill. So far I have had only a few inquires. These cabinets are not traditional single and double-wides of today, but are recent ancestors. They are all steel with standard cubbie shelving. They come in two styles. The first is similar to a single cabinet but is only 12 cubbies tall (about 6' by 2' 4") and two wide with an upper and a lower door. The second style is similar to a half-height case with four columns of cubbies and 6 rows (about 3 ft by 4' 6") with opposing doors. The clasps and gasketing in these cases varies, but is generally adequate.

We think that these cases would be ideal for small herbaria at colleges, parks that have active naturalist programs and want to store a few specimens, avid amateurs who have specimens stacked variously in their garage or basement... We would like to seek a donation of \$100 per cabinet to support our on-going curation of the collections, but we are willing to negotiate. Transportation will have to be arranged by the buyer, but we will be as accomodating as possible in arranging to help load the cabinets etc.

We would really appreciate it if you could pass this information along to anyone you think may be interested. My contact information appears below my signature.

Thanks, and look forward to seeing you all soon.

Best,  
James and the whole Botany staff

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