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Scott Page, owner of Furniture Renew, is allowing two teens to work off damages after a break-in at his business.

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TEENS GET HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE INSTEAD OF CHARGES

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Call it restorative justice. Two teens who broke into a furniture restoration business will work off the damages while learning to restore furniture. Scott Page, owner of Furni-

ture Renew, a furniture restoration business, will give the pair of teenagers an "involuntary apprenticeship" at his shop following a break-in.

"I came in on a Sunday morning to do some work, and I noticed the window was broken and one of our display bottles of wine

was missing," Page said.

Page reviewed the security footage and saw two teens had "hesitantly broken in."

He notified the police and filed a report with the police, and the teens were identified and caught.

But Page decided not to press charges.

Page said the parents came to apologize on their children's behalf but wanted the kids to come by and apologize on their own.

"I asked how he was going to pay for the damages. He didn't have a job, so I said let's get you

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