Prior to starting the *FUN Manual*, the **Formation Director and Team** should review the following:

- For the Formator (26 pages) [DVD #1]
- What Is Formation? (22 pages) [DVD #1]

[April 27, 2014: at the Regional Fraternity Council Meeting, every Fraternity received the *Forming the Formators, 5 DVD set.* The material was presented at the NAFRA Formation Commission Workshop in May 2011 which introduced the *FUN Manual.*]

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**ORIENTATION FORMATION PHASE**

1. **Orientation in the SFO (OFS)**
   The Franciscan Family, A Brief Introduction (12 pages)

2. **Three Orders – Structures – Discernment**
   The Nature of the Secular Franciscan Order (18 pages)

3. **Francis – Clare – Catholic Doctrine**
   - Basic Catholic Doctrine (24 pages)
   - St. Clare of Assisi (24 pages)

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**INQUIRY FORMATION PHASE**

4. **Inquiry in the SFO (OFS)**
   Vocation – God’s Call (18 pages)

5. **Lay Secular Spirituality**
   - Elements of Ecclesiology and Theology of the Laity (14 pages) [DVD #2]
   - Our Identity as a Secular Franciscan (24 pages)

6. **Writings and stories of St. Francis/St. Clare**

7. **SFO (OFS) History – Development of the SFO (OFS) Rule**
   A Brief History of the SFO and Its Rules (34 pages)

8. **Scripture in SFO (OFS) Life**
   Franciscan Movement (10 pages)

9. **Vatican II – SFO (OFS) Rule & Constitutions**

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A biography of St. Francis
Candidacy Formation Phase

10. Candidacy in the SFO (OFS)
   The Vocation, Charism and Mission of Secular Franciscans (20 pages) [DVD #2]

11. The SFO (OFS) Rule
   The Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order (46 pages)

12. A Focus on Jesus

13. Encounters with Christ

14. A Rebuilding Task
   Profession (18 pages) [DVD #3]

15. Gospel, Conversion, & Reconciliation
   Penitence and Conversion (18 pages)

16. When you Pray
   St. Francis and His Approach to Divinity (16 pages)

17. The Mother of God & our Mother
   Francis and the Blessed Virgin Mary (16 pages)

18. Being Faithful

19. A Simple way to Live
   Understanding Franciscan Theology, Tradition and Spirituality (30 pages) [DVD #4 & #5]

20. Freedom to Love

21. How to Love People

22. Foundations for the Kingdom

23. Justice in Franciscan Life
   Justice, Peace and the Integrity of Creation (28 pages)

24. The Gift of Work

25. In their Family

26. Universal Kinship

27. Bearers of Peace

28. Fraternities: Gathering as One
   Fraternity and Francis (22 pages)

29. Servant Leadership

30. Fraternity Life

31. Membership in the SFO (OFS)

32. Enriching the Franciscan spirit

33. Franciscan Family Connections

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